

DISTRICT REPORTS ON WEATHER AND CROPS

For the week ending on the 22nd April 1920.

Summary.—Excepting light and scattered showers in parts of North and East Bengal practically there was no rain in the rest of the province. Rain is needed in some western districts. Sowing of jute and paddy is progressing briskly. Weeding continues in Eastern Bengal. The newly planted sugarcane crop is doing well. The outturn of *boro* paddy is expected to be fairly good. The average price of common rice for the province has risen by about 1.23 per cent. as compared with that of the previous week.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN RUPEES, PER RUPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	24-PARGANAS	Inches. 0.02	5½	5½	Lands are being prepared for the next crops. Progress in ploughing is slow in Basirhat subdivision for want of rain. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Diamond Harbour.	(n)	(n)	(n)	
	Barrackpore	Nil	5½	(n)	
	Barasat ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Basirhat ...	Nil	5½ ³ / ₄	5½ ³ / ₄	
2	NADIA ...	Nil	5½	5½	Lands are being prepared for <i>bhadoi</i> paddy.
	Kushtia ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Meherpur ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Chuadanga...	Nil	(n)	6	
	Ranaghat ...	Nil	5½	5½	
3	MURSHIDABAD	Nil	5½	6	Threshing of <i>rabi</i> crops and sowing of <i>bhadoi</i> paddy and jute continue. Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder is sufficient. There is no large import or export of rice. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Mirzapur in Jangipur from thanas Nabagram, Sagar-dighi in Lalbagh and from Bharatpur in Kandi subdivisions.
	Lalbagh ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Jangipur ...	0.32	6½	7	
	Kandi ...	Nil	6½	6½	
4	JESORE ...	Nil	{ 6 6*	{ 6 6*	Sowing of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy continue. Rain is wanted for sowing operation. Fodder is sufficient. Import and export as usual.
	Jhenidah ...	Nil	6	6	
	Magura ...	Nil	5	5	
	Narail ...	Nil	5½ ³ / ₄	5½ ³ / ₄	
	Bangaon ...	Nil	6½	6½ ³ / ₄	
5	KHULNA ...	Nil	5½	5½	Cultivation of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute is in progress. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Paikgacha thana.
	Satkhira ...	Nil	5½	5½ ³ / ₄	
	Bagerhat ...	Nil	{ 6 7*	{ 6 7*	

* Burma rice.

(n) Not reported.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN SEER, PER LOPPEL.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
6	BURDWAN ...	Nil	5½	5½	Weather hot. Rain is wanted. Ploughing of lands for <i>aus</i> paddy and jute continues. Planting of sugarcane is in progress. Export of rice is reported from Kalna.
	Asansol ...	Nil	6½	6½	
	Katwa ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Kalna ...	Nil	5	5½	
7	BIRBHUM ...	Nil	7	7	Pressing of sugarcane is over. Standing crops are doing well. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Suri.
	Rampurhat...	Nil	6½	6½	
8	BANKURA ...	Nil	6½	6½	Manuring of fields continues. No large export or import of rice.
	Vishnupur...	Nil	6½	6½	
9	MIDNAPORE...	0·75	6	6	Sowing of autumn rice continues. Prospects of tobacco, late cotton and summer rice are fair. Planting of sugarcane is nearly completed. Fodder is sufficient. Burma rice is not available.
	Ghatal ...	0·26	5½	5½	
	Tamluk ...	Nil	4½	4½	
	Contai ...	Nil	5½	6	
10	HOOGHLY ...	Nil	5	5	Effects of weather on the growth of the crops are favourable. Rain is needed. Fodder is sufficient.
	Serampore ...	Nil	4	5	
	Arambagh ...	Nil	6½	6½	
11	HOWRAH ...	Nil	5½	5½	Weather hot. Lands are being prepared for jute and paddy. Condition of sugarcane is good. Fodder is sufficient.
	Ulubaria ...	Nil	5½	5½	
12	RAJSHAHI (RAMPUR-BOALIA).	Nil	5½	6	Prospects of standing crops are favourable. Sowing of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy continues. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Bagatipara thana.
	Naogaon ...	Nil	6½	6½	
	Nator ...	Nil	6½	6½	
13	DINAJPUR ...	Nil	6½	6½	Sowing of jute and <i>bhadoi</i> paddy has commenced. Rain is wanted for proper growth of these crops.
	Thakurgaon	Nil	6½	(n)	
	Balurghat ...	Nil	6½	6½	
14	JALPAIGURI	0·07	6½	6½	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Sowing of jute and <i>bhadoi</i> paddy has commenced. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Alipur ...	1·01	6	5½	

(n) Not reported.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN SEER, PER MURRI.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1		Inches.			
15	DARJEELING	1.40	5½	5½	Potatoes and maize are progressing. Wheat and barley are being harvested. Stocks of rice, fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from some places.
	Kurseong ...	(n)	(n)	5½	
	Siliguri ...	0.94	6½	6½	
	Kalimpong...	0.38	5½	5½	
16	RANGPUR ...	0.10	6	6	Harvesting of tobacco is nearly finished. Sowing of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy is almost finished and weeding continues. Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Chilmari and Jaldhaka thanas.
	Nilphamari	0.23	5½	6	
	Kurigram ...	0.65	5½	(n)	
	Gaibandha...	0.35	5½	4½	
17	BOGGA ...	Nil	6	6	Ploughing of lands and sowing of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy still continue. Prospects of standing crops are fair.
18	PABNA ...	0.37	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder is sufficient.
	Sirajganj ...	Nil	5	5	
19	MALDA ...	Nil	6½	6½	Sowing of <i>bhadoi</i> paddy and jute continues. Prospects of <i>boro</i> (summer) rice are good. Fodder and water are sufficient.
20	COOCH BEHAR	0.87	6½	6½	Weather hot and cloudy. Sowing of <i>bitri</i> paddy and jute, and cutting of tobacco leaves continue. Fodder and water are sufficient.
21	DACCA ...	0.22	5	5	Weather hot. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Ploughing for and sowing of jute and paddy are going on. Import of rice is insufficient at Munshiganj. Rice market is steady.
	Manikganj...	1.05	5½	5½	
	Narayanganj	0.07	5½	5½	
	Munshiganj (a)	Nil	5½	5½	
22	MYMENSINGH	1.13	5½	5½	Weather hot by day and cold at night. Sowing of <i>til</i> , jute, <i>aman</i> and <i>aus</i> paddy is going on. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> paddy continues. Slight damage is reported from Netrakona owing to hailstorm. Cattle-disease is reported from Nagarpur and Purbadhala police-stations.
	Jamalpur ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Tangail ...	0.71	5½	5½	
	Netrakona ...	3.61	5½	5½	
	Kishorganj...	Nil	5½	5½	

(n) Not reported.

(a) Munshiganj being very near to Dacca and Narayanganj, its rainfall statistics are not quoted. To give information regarding the northern part of the district, rainfall figures for Kapasia thana are reported here.

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			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
23	FARIDPUR ...	0.42	{ 5½ 6½*	{ 5½ 6½*	Sowing of jute and paddy is nearly finished. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder is available.
	Goalundo ..	(n)	(n)	{ 5½ 6½*	
	Madaripur ...	(n)	(n)	5	
	Gopalganj (a)	Nil	{ 5 6½*	{ 5½ 6½*	
24	BAKARGANJ (BARISAL).	Nil	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Pirojpur ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Patnakhali ...	Nil	5½	6	
	Dakshin Shabazpur (Bhola).	Nil	5	5½	
25	CHITTAGONG	Nil	{ 5½† 6*	{ 5½ 6*	Cultivation of early aus crop is in progress. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder is sufficient. Panga salt is selling at 12 and 8 seers per rupee at Sadar and Cox's Bazar, respectively.
	Cox's Bazar	Nil	5†	5½†	
26	TIPPERA (COMILLA).	Nil	4½	5	Ploughing and sowing are going on. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from the Brahmanbaria subdivision. Burma rice is not available.
	Brahmanbaria.	0.09	5	5	
	Chandpur ...	Nil	5½	5½	
27	NOAKHALI	Nil	5	5	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Chhagalnaya and Pashuram.
	Feni ...	Nil	4½	5½	
28	CHITTAGONG HILL TRACTS.	Nil	5	5	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Jhum-burning continues. Fodder is sufficient.

(a) The rainfall at Faridpur, which is very near to Gopalganj, is shown here.

* Burma rice.

† Local rice.

(n) Not reported.

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DACCA, the 25th April 1920.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of April 1920.

Marts.	PADDY (BEST QUALITY).						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	4 4 0	4 4 0	3 10 0	2 12 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 2 0
Chella Hat							
Burdwan	4 4 0	4 2 0	3 2 0	1 10 0	2 4 0	3 10 0	3 0 0
Kalna							
Ramganj							
Midnapore	4 0 0	4 0 0	3 2 0	1 12 0	2 4 0	3 12 0	3 12 0
Chittagong	4 0 0	4 5 0	3 2 0	3 1 0	2 10 0	3 12 0	3 12 0
Chandpur							
Dacca	4 5 0	5 0 0	4 0 0	2 0 0	2 2 0	4 0 0	4 0 0
Narayanganj							
Mymensingh							
Madaripur							
Fabua	4 4 0	4 3 0	3 12 0	2 2 0	2 12 0	3 4 0	3 7 0
Hirajganj							
Rangpur	3 9 0	4 0 0	3 0 0	1 2 0	2 14 0	3 4 0	3 0 0

Marts.	PADDY (COMMON QUALITY).						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	3 12 0	3 12 0	3 0 0	2 4 0	3 10 0	3 5 0	2 13 0
Chella Hat							
Burdwan	4 0 0	4 0 0	3 2 0	1 0 0	2 3 0	3 0 0	3 0 0
Kalna							
Ramganj							
Midnapore	3 12 0	3 10 0	3 5 0	1 7 0	2 3 0	2 9 0	2 4 0
Chittagong	3 12 0	4 1 0	3 0 0	2 0 0	2 3 0	3 11 0	3 10 0
Chandpur							
Dacca	4 0 0	4 12 0	4 2 0	1 12 0	3 0 0	3 12 0	3 2 0
Narayanganj							
Mymensingh							
Madaripur							
Fabua	4 3 0	4 2 0	3 3 0	1 12 0	2 5 0	2 13 0	3 0 0
Hirajganj							
Rangpur	2 0 0	3 0 0	2 2 0	1 4 0	2 0 0	2 5 0	2 2 0

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of April 1920.

Marts.	RICE (BEST QUALITY.)						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	9 8 0	9 8 0	8 4 0	8 8 0	7 0 0	7 12 0	7 6 0
Chota HA							
Burdwan	8 0 0	8 0 0	7 8 0	4 6 0	5 8 0	8 8 0	4 4 0
Kaipa							
Raniganj							
Midnapore	7 2 0	7 8 0	7 0 0	3 8 0	4 10 0	5 8 0	5 2 0
Chittagong	12 0 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	7 8 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	9 2 0
Chandpur							
Dacca	8 8 0	8 8 0	7 4 0	4 0 0	5 2 0	5 8 0	6 4 0
Narayanganj							
Mymensingh							
Madaripur							
Pabna	11 0 0	11 0 0	7 8 0	5 8 0	7 6 0	7 4 0	8 2 0
Sirajganj							
Rangpur	7 8 0	7 12 0	6 8 0	4 8 0	6 0 0	6 8 0	7 8 0

Marts.	RICE (COMMON QUALITY.)						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	8 4 0	8 4 0	6 4 0	4 8 0	6 12 0	6 8 0	8 4 0
Chota HA							
Burwan	7 2 0	7 2 0	5 14 0	2 14 0	3 8 0	4 11 0	4 10 0
Kaipa							
Raniganj							
Midnapore	6 8 0	6 8 0	6 0 0	3 14 0	4 4 0	4 10 0	4 12 0
Chittagong	6 8 0	7 0 0	6 0 0	2 8 0	4 10 0	5 0 0	4 8 0
Chandpur		(b) 7 10 0					
Dacca	7 10 0	7 10 0	7 0 0	3 8 0	5 0 0	5 8 0	5 0 0
Narayanganj							
Mymensingh							
Madaripur							
Pabna	8 14 0	8 14 0	8 0 0	2 7 0	4 8 0	5 0 0	5 6 0
Sirajganj							
Rangpur	6 8 0	6 8 0	6 8 0	3 10 0	4 8 0	4 12 0	5 10 0

(b) Burma rice.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, &c., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of April 1920.

Marts.	WHEAT.						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 14 0	8 3 0	4 12 0	4 5 0	5 0 0
Chota Hat							
Bardwan	8 4 0	7 5 0	(a)	4 0 0	5 3 0	5 0 0	6 0 0
Kalna							
Raiganj							
Kidnapore	8 3 0	8 5 0	8 3 0	6 4 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 3 0
Chittagong							
Chandpur							
Dacca	6 13 0	5 0 0					
Narayanganj							
Mymensingh							
Madaripur							
Fahna	8 2 0	6 0 0	5 4 0	3 7 0	3 5 0		
Sirajganj							
Rangpur	(a)	(a)	7 0 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	5 5 0

Marts.	RICE D&L.						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	37	38	39	40	41	42	43
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	8 3 0	8 5 0	10 0 0		4 12 0	5 0 0	5 3 0
Chota Hat							
Bardwan	7 3 0	7 2 0	12 0 0	3 4 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 12 0
Kalna							
Raiganj							
Kidnapore	8 3 0	8 3 0	10 0 0	5 10 0 10 6 4 0	5 12 0	4 4 0	4 8 0
Chittagong							
Chandpur							
Dacca	6 5 0	7 12 0					
Narayanganj							
Mymensingh							
Madaripur							
Fahna							
Sirajganj							
Rangpur	8 0 0	10 0 0	8 0 0	7 0 0	7 5 0	8 3 0	8 3 0

(a) Not available.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of April 1920.

Marts.	QUANT.						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	8 0 0	8 4 0	6 0 0	4 8 0	3 4 0	3 4 0	4 6 0
Chittagong	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	3 4 0	4 8 0	4 0 0	4 4 0
Dacca	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	3 4 0	4 8 0	4 0 0	4 4 0
Barisal	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	3 4 0	4 8 0	4 0 0	4 4 0
Medinipur	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	3 4 0	4 8 0	4 0 0	4 4 0
Midnapore	7 4 0	7 4 0	6 12 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	4 8 0
Chittagong	8 0 0	8 0 0	7 12 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0
Chandpur	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Dacca	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Karagangul	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Mymensingh	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Medinipur	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Pabna	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Shariatpur	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Rangpur	8 0 0	7 0 0	8 0 0	5 4 0	7 4 0	7 0 0	5 10 0

Marts.	ANNUAL DATA						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	51	52	53	54	55	56	57
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	6 0 0	4 12 0	6 0 0	6 3 0
Chittagong	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	4 8 0	8 0 0	6 12 0
Dacca	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Barisal	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Medinipur	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Midnapore	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	5 4 0	6 0 0	5 0 0	6 12 0
Chittagong	11 0 0	11 0 0	10 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	7 0 0	8 0 0
Chandpur	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Dacca	11 0 0	10 0 0	14 0 0	5 0 0	7 0 0	7 0 0	7 12 0
Karagangul	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Mymensingh	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Medinipur	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Pabna	12 0 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	5 4 0	6 0 0	7 4 0	8 0 0
Shariatpur	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Rangpur	8 12 0	(a)	10 0 0	6 0 0	7 8 0	7 0 0	6 7 0

(a) Not available.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of April 1920.

Marts.	LINSEED.			MUSTARD.			GDR.			COTTON (UNGINNED).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	68	69	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	13 0 0	12 0 0	8 0 0	12 0 0	12 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	25 0 0	25 0 0	30 0 0
Chetta Hat												
Burdwan	9 0 0	10 10 0	(a) 10 0 0	10 0 0	9 0 0	11 4 0	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 0 0			
Kalna												
Raiganj												
Midnapore	11 0 0	9 0 0	7 0 0	10 0 0	11 0 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	9 0 0	10 0 0	40 0 0	40 0 0	40 0 0
Chittagong	12 0 0	15 0 0	10 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	9 0 0	10 0 0	12 0 0	7 0 0	12 0 0	14 0 0	12 0 0
Chandpur												
Dacca	10 0 0	15 0 0	12 0 0	11 0 0	8 0 0	11 0 0	14 0 0	13 0 0	6 12 0			
Narayanganj												
Mymensingh												
Moharipur												
Palna	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 12 0	8 22 0	8 0 0	8 11 0	8 11 0	7 0 0			
Shalgram												
Rangpur				8 12 0	8 0 0	9 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0			

* Due to large import.

Marts.	JOWA.			GREEN.			HIDES (COW).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	10 0 0	10 0 0	12 0 0	45 0 0	55 0 0	75 0 0	450 0 0	450 0 0	450 0 0
Chetta Hat									
Burdwan	(a) 10 0 0	(a) 10 0 0	(a) 10 0 0	30 0 0	34 0 0	75 0 0	(a) 10 0 0	(a) 10 0 0	(a) 10 0 0
Kalna				to 30 0 0	to 30 0 0				
Raiganj									
Midnapore	5 0 0	5 0 0	7 0 0	90 0 0	95 0 0	75 0 0	300 0 0	300 0 0	300 0 0
Chittagong				to 100 0 0	to 100 0 0	to 100 0 0			
Chandpur	to 12 0 0	to 12 0 0	to 12 0 0	95 0 0	100 0 0	75 0 0	275 0 0	275 0 0	200 0 0
Dacca	to 12 0 0	to 12 0 0	to 12 0 0	92 0 0	95 0 0	75 0 0			
Narayanganj	to 4 4 0	to 4 4 0	to 4 4 0						
Mymensingh	to 4 4 0	to 4 4 0	to 4 4 0						
Moharipur	to 4 4 0	to 4 4 0	to 4 4 0						
Palna	to 4 4 0	to 4 4 0	to 4 4 0	100 0 0	100 0 0	87 0 0			
Shalgram	to 4 0 0	to 4 0 0	to 4 0 0						
Rangpur	to 4 0 0	to 4 0 0	to 4 0 0	75 0 0	81 0 0	68 0 0	Per piece, 0 0 0	Per piece, 0 0 0	Per piece, 0 0 0

(b) No sale.

(a) Not available.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of April 1920.

Marts.	RICE.			SALT.			PRESSED OIL.		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	70	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	10 0 0	10 0 0	15 0 0	3 5 0	3 5 0	2 7 0	3 15 0(a)	3 15 0(a)	5 4 0(a)
Chota Hat									
Burdwan	10 0 0	15 0 0 to 18 0 0	15 0 0	2 4 0	3 4 0	2 11 0	3 2 0(c)	3 2 0(c)	
Kalna									
Raniganj									
Midnapore	3 0 0 to 13 0 0	3 0 0 to 13 0 0	3 0 0 to 16 0 0	3 5 0	3 5 0	2 14 0	4 2 0(a)	4 2 0(a)	3 4 0(b)
Chittagong	10 0 0	10 0 0	23 0 0	2 4 0	3 4 0	2 9 0	3 1 0(a)	3 1 0(a)	2 12 0(a)
Chandpur									
Dacca				4 0 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	4 1 0(a)	4 1 0(a)	3 12 0(b)
Narayanganj									
Mymensingh									
Madaripur									
Pabna	22 0 0 to 25 0 0	22 0 0 to 25 0 0	20 0 0 to 25 0 0	2 12 0	4 0 0	3 2 0	4 3 0(a)	4 3 0(a)	4 4 0(b)
Sirajganj									
Haugpur	20 0 0	22 0 0	23 0 0	3 5 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	4 4 0(a)	4 4 0(a)	2 12 0(a)

(a) Monkey brand. | (b) Biding B.in. | (c) Mosque. | (d) Victoria brand. | (e) Elephant. | (f) Gold mohar.

Marts.	MUSTARD OIL.			FIREWOOD.			COAL (BENGAL).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	25 0 0	26 0 0	28 0 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 10 0			
Chota Hat							0 10 0	0 10 0	0 8 0
Burdwan	25 0 0 to 25 0 0	25 0 0 to 25 0 0	20 0 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 11 0	0 12 0	0 8 0
Kalna							1 0 0	1 1 0	0 8 0
Raniganj							0 3 0	0 3 0	0 2 0
Midnapore	20 0 0 to 22 0 0	21 0 0 to 23 0 0	23 0 0	0 7 0	0 7 0	0 7 0			
Chittagong	25 0 0	23 0 0	30 0 0						
Chandpur									
Dacca	25 0 0	26 0 0	22 0 0						
Narayanganj									
Mymensingh									
Madaripur									
Pabna	25 0 0	27 0 0	30 0 0						
Sirajganj									
Haugpur	30 0 0	31 0 0	32 0 0						

J. C. ROY, for Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

Dacca, the 23rd April 1920.

Prices-current (retail) of food-grains, salt, etc., in the districts of Bengal for the first-half of April 1920.

Districts.	Number.	Districts and Muzas.	QUANTITY PER RUPEE IN SHEETS OF EIGHTY TOLAS.														
			COMMON RICE.						KALAI DAL (Phaseolus radiata).			ARHAR (DAL) OR TURR. (Cajanus indicus).			SALT.		
			Average.			Cheaper.			Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
			Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.									
PRESDUTY.	1.	11-PADMAHAR.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.
		1 Chella Buz ...	4 3	5 5	5 2	5 5	5 13	5 3	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	10 10	10 10	12 12
		2 Muga (M) ...	5 0	5 0	5 10	5 6	5 8	7 5	(a)	(a)	(a)	3 6	3 5	3 12	11 12	11 12	12 8
		3 Chakla-Balaghat ...	4 12	4 12	5 0	5 5	5 5	7 0	5 7	4 7	3 12	4 0	4 0	4 11	10 0	10 0	10 0
		NADIA.															
		4 Gauri ...	3 12	5 12	5 7	(a)	(a)	7 4	3 0	3 2	3 0	3 0	3 2	3 5	11 0	11 0	11 11
		5 Managhat ...	4 0	5 5	5 0	5 4	5 0	5 14	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 5	10 5	10 5	10 5
		MUMBAIDAHAD.															
		6 Bishampur ...	5 12	5 0	5 12	5 0	5 4	7 0	5 5	5 2	4 0	4 5	4 5	5 0	13 0	13 0	13 0
		7 Kendi ...	5 7	4 12	7 4	5 0	7 0	7 4	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	4 4	4 5	10 5	10 5	11 5
		8 Jangipar ...	5 5	7 0	7 0	7 0	7 4	7 5	5 0	5 0	3 12	3 5	3 0	3 5	14 0	14 0	11 0
PRESDUTY.	9.	JESONE.															
		9 Sadar ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	7 5	3 4	3 4	3 0	3 4	3 4	3 4	11 0	11 4	12 5
		10 Baggon ...	5 0	5 11	(a)	5 15	5 15	(a)	3 2	3 2	(a)	3 2	3 2	(a)	12 5	12 5	(a)
		KUDUA.															
		11 Sadar ...	5 0	5 4	7 0	5 5	5 4	7 5	4 5	4 5	4 0	3 0	3 0	4 0	1 5	10 5	11 0
		12 Baghat ...	5 0	5 0	7 5	7 5	7 5	5 0	5 5	5 0	5 4	3 10	3 10	5 4	5 0	5 0	5 0
		BORDHAN.															
		13 Sadar ...	5 5	5 5	5 12	5 0	5 0	7 2	5 5	5 5	3 4	3 0	5 5	(a)	10 5	12 5	13 0
		14 Kalia ...	5 15	5 5	5 2	5 12	5 10	5 5	4 5	4 4	3 12	3 5	3 4	3 12	10 2	10 5	12 12
		BIRAHUM.															
BAGDUTY.	14.	14 Sadar ...	5 0	5 0	5 5	5 5	7 0	5 12	4 5	5 0	4 4	4 0	4 0	4 5	3 0	13 0	5 5
		15 Bampur Hat ...	5 5	5 5	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 5	5 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	5 5	11 0	11 0	11 0
		BANSUNA.															
		17 Sadar ...	5 4	5 5	5 2	5 5	5 10	5 12	5 0	3 10	3 12	3 12	3 10	4 0	11 0	11 0	12 0
		18 Vithampur ...	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 14	4 4	4 5	4 5	4 0	3 12	3 12	11 0	11 5	12 0
		MIDNAPUR.															
		19 Sadar ...	5 5	5 2	5 11	5 5	5 4	7 0	4 5	4 0	3 4	3 5	3 2	3 4	10 5	10 5	11 2
		20 Ghatal ...	5 0	5 5	7 2	5 5	7 5	5 10	3 0	3 5	4 0	3 4	3 4	3 5	10 0	10 0	10 0
		HOORHLY.															
		21 Sadar ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 5	5 5	7 0	4 5	4 5	3 5	3 5	3 4	4 0	11 0	10 0	13 0
KURGANI.	22.	22 Arambagh ...	5 15	5 1	7 5	5 2	5 5	7 10	3 5	3 4	3 5	3 4	3 4	3 5	10 10	10 10	10 10
		HOWHAN.															
		23 Sadar ...	5 4	5 5	5 4	5 12	5 4	5 5	4 5	4 5	4 5	4 0	3 4	3 15	13 5	11 5	11 5
		24 Vithalia ...	5 0	5 5	5 5	5 4	5 5	7 4	5 5	5 0	3 5	3 12	3 15	3 14	13 0	13 0	14 0
		MAZGARI.															
		25 Bampur-Bonla ...	5 0	5 5	5 5	5 2	5 5	5 5	3 4	3 4	4 0	3 5	3 5	4 0	15 5	15 5	15 5
		26 Nator ...	5 5	5 5	7 0	5 5	5 5	5 0	4 0	4 0	5 0	4 0	4 0	7 0	5 5	5 5	5 0
		27 Dinajpur-Hallway Bazar Hat.	5 5	5 5	7 2	5 5	5 5	7 5	3 12	3 12	3 14	3 5	3 2	3 14	10 0	10 0	10 5
		28 Jaldighat-Bidar ...	5 0	5 0	5 5	5 2	5 5	7 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	3 2	3 4	4 0	10 0	10 0	5 0

* Karkatch.

(a) Not available.

(a) Not reported.

Prices-current (retail) of food-grains, salt, etc., in the districts of Bengal for the first-half of April 1920—contd.

QUANTITY PER RUPEE IN SEER OF EIGHTY TOLAS.

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Districts and Mats.	Number.	QUANTITY PER RUPEE IN SEER OF EIGHTY TOLAS.																	
		Common Rice.									KALAI DAL (Phaseolus radiatus).			ARHAR (DALHORI THUG, CASSIA PAPA L'AFRICA 194646).			SALT.		
		Average.			Thapsa.						Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.									
DANDELING.		S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	N. CH.	N. CH.	N. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.
30 Sadar ...		4 0	4 4	5 0	5 4	5 5	5 5	2 12	2 12	3 4	2 12	2 12	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0
36 Bilguri ...		5 0	4 5	5 0	5 0	5 2	7 0	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2
RAJPOUR.																			
31 Sadar ...		5 12	5 12	7 0	5 0	5 0	7 2	4 0	3 12	4 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0
32 Nipbhami ...		5 0	5 0	7 2	5 2	5 4	...	3 12	3 12	4 0	2 12	3 12	4 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0
33 Bogra-Sadar ...		5 0	4 2	5 0	5 2	5 5	7 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2	3 2
PAUNA.																			
34 Sadar ...		5 2	5 2	5 0	5 12	5 12	6 0	5 0	5 0	4 2	3 0	3 0	3 4	11 0	11 0	11 0	11 0	11 0	11 0
35 Sirajganj ...		5 0	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 4	7 0	5 4	5 4	5 12	3 0	3 4	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0
MALDA.																			
34 Sadar ...		5 0	5 5	5 2	5 5	5 12	5 12	5 5	7 0	4 0	...	4 2	4 2	4 2	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0
37 Balis-Nawabganj ...		5 12	5 12	5 12	7 2	7 2	7 2	7 0	7 0	5 4	4 0	4 0	...	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0
DACCA.																			
38 Sadar ...		5 4	5 4	5 2	5 5	5 5	5 12	3 0	2 4	4 2	3 2	3 2	2 12	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0
39 Munshir Hat ...		5 4	5 4	(n)	5 4	5 4	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0
MYMENSINGH.																			
40 Nazimabad ...		5 4	5 4	5 5	5 10	5 12	7 2	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	5 12	5 12	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0
41 Netrokona ...		5 5	5 5	5 5	5 10	5 12	7 2	3 0	3 0	7 12	3 5	3 4	4 4	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0
FARIEDPUR.																			
42 Sadar ...		5 4	5 4	5 5	(b) 5 5	(b) 5 5	7 2	4 0	4 0	4 2	3 0	3 0	4 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0
43 Hajbari ...		5 10	5 12	5 0	(b) 5 12	(b) 5 0	5 12	5 5	5 5	5 0	3 5	3 5	4 12	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0
BARANAGANJ.																			
44 Barisal ...		5 5	5 2	5 12	5 0	5 0	5 11	3 4	3 4	3 5	3 4	3 4	3 10	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0
45 Pirojpur ...		5 5	5 5	5 5	5 12	5 12	...	4 0	4 0	...	(n)	(n)	4 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0
TIPPERA.																			
46 Comilla ...		5 0	5 2	5 2	5 0	5 5	5 5	3 4	3 4	5 0	2 1	2 0	5 5	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0
47 Chaudpur ...		5 0	5 2	5 4	5 10	5 4	5 4	3 5	3 4	5 5	3 0	3 2	4 12	2 4	2 4	2 4	2 4	2 4	2 4
NOAKHAL.																			
48 Kalihari Hat ...		4 12	5 2	5 2	5 0	5 0	5 0	3 0	3 0	5 12	3 2	3 2	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0
49 Feni Hat ...		5 2	5 12	5 0	5 12	5 5	5 15	3 4	3 4	5 5	(n)	(n)	...	10 11	10 11	10 11	10 11	10 11	10 11
CHITTAGONG.																			
50 Sadar ...		5 0	5 5	5 2	(b) 5 0	(b) 5 5	7 2	5 0	5 0	4 4	3 5	3 5	3 12	12 0	11 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0
51 Cox's Bazar ...		5 0	5 5	5 0	(n) 5 0	(n) 5 5	5 0	5 0	4 0	5 0	3 0	3 0	3 4	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0
52 Chittagong Hill Tracts—Rangamati.		5 0	5 0	7 0	5 5	5 5	5 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	3 0	3 0	4 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0

* Karamch.

(b) Burma rice.

(c) Not available.

(n) Not reported.

J. C. ROY, for Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

DACCA, the 23rd April 1920.

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, INDIA

CALCUTTA TRADE FLUCTUATIONS

THE following tables are intended to show the trade by all routes, i.e., by rail, river, canal, road, and sea, of the Calcutta block* in certain selected articles during the eleven months, April, 1919, to February, 1920, as compared with the corresponding period of 1918-19 and 1917-18. The statistics have been compiled from returns furnished by the Collector of Customs, Calcutta, Railway Audit Offices, Steamer Companies, the Commissioners for the Port of Calcutta, the Collectors of the 24-Parganas and Howrah, and the Assistant Engineer, Calcutta Canals.

General Summary

Imports.—The imports of rice, including paddy†, into Calcutta* by rail, river, canal, road, and sea (coastwise) during the eleven months, April, 1919, to February, 1920, amounted to 20,740,000 maunds, as against 15,973,000 maunds in the corresponding period of the preceding year—an increase of 30 per cent. There was an increase of 16 per cent in the imports of coal and coke (91,692,000 maunds as against 79,294,000 maunds last year). The imports by rail, river, road, and sea (coastwise) of Indian cotton piecegoods showed an increase of 80 per cent, the total value amounting to Rs. 9.45 lakhs as against Rs. 5.24 lakhs in 1918-19. The quantity of indigo imported during the eleven months, April, 1919, to February, 1920, increased from 17,309 maunds to 17,667 maunds. The imports of raw jute amounted to 4,732,000 bales as against 4,635,000 bales—an increase of 97,000 bales in the period under report. The importation of gunny bags also showed a decrease of 8 per cent (389 million bags as against 399 millions in the preceding year). The total imports of oilseeds (linseed and rape and mustard seed) decreased by 18 per cent from 6,832,000 maunds to 5,579,000 maunds. The imports of sugar decreased by 10 per cent from 650,000 maunds to 588,000 maunds, and those of tea increased by 10 per cent from 2,933,000 maunds to 3,238,000 maunds.

Exports.—The exports of cotton piecegoods, foreign, from Calcutta by all routes during the eleven months, April, 1919, to February, 1920, increased by 16 per cent (Rs. 28.02 lakhs as against Rs. 24.24 lakhs last year). The exports of gunny bags (including the exports by sea to foreign countries) decreased from 1,189 million to 991 million bags, but the shipments of gunny bags to other Indian ports increased from 37 millions to 40 millions in number in the period under review. The quantity of kerosene oil despatched from Calcutta and Budge-Budge by internal routes and by sea (coastwise) increased from 4,407,000 maunds to 5,370,000 maunds, or by 22 per cent.

* The Calcutta block consists of the town of Calcutta with Howrah and Kidderpore Docks.

† One maund of paddy is equivalent to 25 seers of rice.

TABLE I

Trade of Calcutta in certain selected articles in the eleven months, April, 1919, to February, 1920, compared with the corresponding months of 1918-19.

		IMPORTS		EXPORTS	
		BY RAIL, ROAD, RIVER, CANAL, AND SEA (COASTWISE) (a)		BY SEA (FOREIGN AND COAST-WISE)	
		April, 1919, to February, 1920	April, 1918, to February, 1919	April, 1919, to February, 1920	April, 1918, to February, 1919
Food-grains—					
Rice	Mds	68,491,881	13,729,140	2,192,773	4,831,343
Paddy	"	3,709,721	8,590,170	116,519	7,919
Total (in rice) (b)		72,201,602	22,319,310	2,309,292	4,839,262
Wheat	"	2,312,535	4,946,464	77,546	763,790
Wheat flour	"	173,374	84,918	399,680	370,880
Gram and pulses	"	4,271,309	4,437,880	1,797,897	1,088,437
Other food-grains	"	102,351	680,551	48,832	92,755
Total food-grains		79,860,569	27,029,733	4,089,577	7,058,906
Gins and Oils	"	61,491,667	79,384,019	11,687,429	6,866,861
Cotton, raw	Bales	315,759	116,817	106,329	15,411
.. twist and yarn, Indian	Mds	290,095	306,740	216,358	84,937
.. piece-goods, Indian	Rs	9,46,09,471	8,94,54,135	16,74,481	11,80,004
Indigo	Mds	17,367	17,309	19,591	27,843
Jute, raw	Bales	4,751,533	4,855,196	3,548,211	2,032,187
.. gunny bags	No	309,089,704	295,483,197	61,942,357	1,132,663,853
Lac	Mds	660,347	565,092	446,440	290,113
Oilseeds—Linseed	"	2,375,512	4,046,468	8,410,806	2,366,861
.. Rape and mustard	"	2,106,877	2,765,254	86,464	358,497
Silk, raw	"	8,664	1,924	6,790	2,305
Sugar—Refined	"	72,388	141,779	264,756	27,417
.. Unrefined	"	515,645	597,742	17,445	2,675
Tea (Indian)	"	3,788,213	2,532,141	2,033,290	1,470,865
Tobacco—unmanufactured	"	64,191	598,933	266,897	300,896
.. manufactured	"	49,381	41,465	8,265	7,391
		IMPORTS		EXPORTS	
		BY SEA (FOREIGN AND COAST-WISE) (d)		BY RAIL, ROAD, RIVER, CANAL, AND SEA (COASTWISE)	
		April, 1919, to February, 1920	April, 1918, to February, 1919	April, 1919, to February, 1920	April, 1918, to February, 1919
Other articles—					
Cotton twist and yarn—foreign	Mds	44,886	107,801	146,256	812,219
.. .. —Indian	"	25,401	17,088	434,513	24,675
.. piece-goods—foreign	Rs	28,13,97,304	18,36,86,713	28,01,81,106	26,82,91,702
.. .. —Indian	"	2,00,12,831	28,06,829	4,82,86,283	2,71,59,196
Kerosene oil (c)	Mds	6,318,233	4,437,486	2,870,453	4,406,946
Salt	"	10,896,849	8,843,645	8,827,250	7,166,297
Gunny bags	No	...	...	414,309,878	129,442,864

(a) The imports by sea are coastwise imports from other Indian ports only.
 (b) One maund of paddy is equivalent to 16 cows of rice.
 (c) Including Agars of Badger-Badger trade.
 (d) The imports by sea include imports from other Indian ports, together with imports from foreign countries.

TABLE

Imports of Principal Articles into the Calcutta Trade Block by Rail, Road, River.

FOOD-GRAINS													
Wares Imported	Rice and paddy			Wheat	Wheat flour	Gram and pulse	Other food-grains	Total	Coal and coke	Cotton raw	Cotton twisted yarn, Indian (b)	Cotton piece goods, Indian (b) (c)	
	Rice	Paddy (a)	Total (in rice)										
BENGAL	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Bales of 400 lbs	Mds	Ris.	
Bardhaman	202,340	679,617	432,261	2,887	367	27,887	858	663,387	38,597,456	261	95	16,576	
Bi-Dunna	326,519	10,081	332,890	2,574	48	1,703	5	337,861	—	4	122	3,337	
Barrackpore	7,714	75,798	15,163	7	24	1,999	1	30,445	771	8	238	78,369	
Midnapur	1,482,964	199,989	1,682,019	—	51	13,497	129	1,329,591	1,361	124	1,298	2,99,704	
Hoochly	982,688	324,078	1,306,766	1,363	499	47,598	17,005	1,736,639	28,412	48	47,101	27,82,482	
24-Parganas	2,026,465	1,322,519	3,348,984	457	28	29,711	2,000	3,391,496	115,499	1,081	22,712	9,38,300	
Nadia	21,990	51,590	109,779	21,387	4,321	687,492	37,489	941,949	3	1,034	297	1,39,368	
Marichganj	104,081	5,433	107,424	49,461	612	109,061	25,308	396,566	90	24	29	3,300	
Jessore	167,874	77,539	245,409	307	81	323,133	2,908	989,131	—	1,578	49	1,244	
Khulna	163,146	322,402	485,548	2,316	74	23,003	911	363,630	—	376	5	6,574	
Rajshahi	2,263	290	2,553	15,295	990	110,851	—	120,688	—	14	—	4,630	
Dinajpur	79,067	194,437	273,504	39	—	7,492	367	110,678	—	13	6	169	
Jamshedpur	437	1,633	1,870	—	—	—	—	1,873	—	7	8	840	
Darjeeling	849	1,726	1,820	—	—	14	80	1,836	—	—	—	1,464	
Rangpur	7,385	8,464	11,329	3,237	5	5,628	1,063	37,245	—	967	22	2,200	
Bohara	17,108	170,430	187,538	22	—	4,996	3,671	131,261	—	20	21	3,133	
Patna	2,552	178	2,404	37,480	1,373	169,346	537	232,442	—	8	79	2,177	
Meerut	2,310	1,045	3,355	27,314	1,193	16,767	7,380	46,440	—	2	31	239	
Godoh Bazar	424	—	424	298	180	292	2	1,841	—	—	—	—	
Dacca	66,346	719	67,065	2,922	122	25,306	11,218	104,171	—	11,389	114	4,945	
Mohamudnagar	1,976	—	1,976	317	28	11,024	11,803	24,455	—	1,009	26	7,111	
Fachipur	24,534	8,124	32,658	29,353	731	184,880	7,448	199,078	—	270	107	3,338	
Baharwal	1,390,279	17,963	1,408,242	2	96	4,632	—	1,412,869	—	22	110	3,187	
Tripura (including Mili Tripura)	30,852	—	30,852	—	—	—	1,304	32,143	—	166	10	767	
Noakhali	4	—	4	—	—	871	—	875	—	1	20	2,472	
Chittagong	180,421	—	180,421	2	42	4,764	—	125,340	—	5,518	—	—	
Chittagong Port	8,711	—	8,711	—	—	—	—	8,711	—	—	—	1,008	
Total of Bengal	7,230,339	5,346,023	12,576,362	340,887	10,496	1,724,484	128,480	11,904,602	26,887,996	24,102	75,729	39,04,806	
OTHER PROVINCES AND PLACES													
Bihar and Orissa	167,797	41,035	208,832	435,062	10,861	1,388,893	316,886	2,394,617	64,789,217	288	2,942	10,77,626	
Assam	167,653	148,791	316,444	6,541	210	7,744	204	371,044	6,210	26	108	42,796	
U. P. of Agra and Oudh	8,486	—	8,486	1,718,204	156,919	478,324	123,800	2,632,518	—	16,129	2,588	12,83,860	
Punjab	10,236	—	10,236	945,661	17,220	75,836	2,278	1,064,682	—	16,200	2,330	3,37,323	
Sind and British Baluchistan	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	19,944	
Central Provinces and Berar	1,409	7	1,416	131	—	30,107	136	31,786	—	186,322	41,846	21,04,586	
Bombay	8,315	—	8,315	—	1	2,824	2	10,843	3	6,577	71,487	6,73,31,663	
Madras	—	—	—	3,411	89	29,896	1,331	37,670	—	14,868	43,119	59,79,340	
Burma	10,649,432	5,623	10,655,055	863	—	407,787	128,346	11,062,473	—	4,326	—	—	
Najapatana and Central India	407	—	407	—	79	1,896	631	2,793	—	3	53	2,92,617	
Nizam's Territory	—	—	—	—	—	6,215	—	6,215	—	621	188	22,008	
Myore	—	—	—	—	1,268	—	2,127	—	—	—	2,282	18,05,840	
Nioubur Islands	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
GRAND TOTAL	1919-20	18,421,843	2,709,761	20,730,300	3,319,623	176,072	5,671,220	709,831	39,909,289	9,621,697	312,729	341,893	1,46,04,317
	1918-19	18,729,144	3,390,176	20,972,008	4,960,144	89,512	5,487,592	580,641	37,026,728	29,394,019	115,517	304,760	2,14,14,126
	1917-18	11,962,857	1,877,618	13,177,171	5,123,129	111,988	5,290,436	391,542	27,350,534	69,491,770	134,772	401,602	2,49,38,569

(a) One maund of paddy is equivalent to 26 mace of rice.

(b) Excluding trade by sea (coastwise).

(c) The value rates are fixed quarterly, and the monthly valuation is made at the rates ends of the preceding quarter.

General, and Sea (Coastwise) in the eleven months, April, 1919, to February, 1920.

Indigo	JUTE		CLOTHING			Milk, raw	SUGAR		Tea, Indian	TOBACCO		Wholesale imported	
	Raw (d)	Gunny-bags (c)	Lac	Linseed	Rape and Mustard		Refined	Un-refined		Manufactured	Manufactured		
Mds	Bales of 400 lbs	No	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	General	
1	177,187	177,187	32	781	14,211	...	30	799	8	301	22	Burdwan	
2	52,726	52,726	423	672	2,210	...	30	217	1	...	4	Birbham	
3	22,044	22,044	48	...	140	...	8	...	7	260	44	Bankura	
4	32,765	127,305	30	563	960	100	...	41,703	...	66	163	Midnapur	
5	95,242	119,377,341	...	1,150	1,764	1	170	76,840	10	19,210	4,035	Hooghly	
6	900,194	249,089,663	...	3,061	2,911	...	20,406	76,498	24	8,750	4,543	24 Parganas	
7	204,398	216,190	...	46,134	4,602	164	1,840	31,921	8	18,844	16	Nadia	
8	22,922	68,177	8,539	28,104	25,442	2,170	3	195	...	1,312	1,442	Murshidabad	
9	100,893	40,649	...	1,422	2,500	...	...	125,240	...	4,215	29	Jessore
10	70,638	28,664	...	3,977	1,610	...	...	14,880	1	747	...	Khulna
11	141,200	8,403	...	17,303	2,428	...	...	...	...	903	30	Hajmahl
12	20,326	462,915	...	...	3,723	...	...	...	...	663	...	Dinajpur
13	145,984	208,994	12	...	8,210	...	...	...	1,000,948	129,650	8	Jalpaiguri
14	26,294	26,207	...	418	10,083	...	...	...	340,147	6,808	71	Darjeeling
15	453,627	667,111	219	0,971	6,122	...	7	8	14,828	100,313	6	Rangpur	
16	271,322	24,764	...	2,279	15,993	...	...	17	4	18	...	Dooch
17	279,464	42,252	...	15,993	19,724	...	20	...	18	90	...	Patna	
18	15,522	619	18	1,168	1,347	206	...	...	...	216	...	Maldia
19	91,407	1,246	...	...	2,076	...	...	2,191	...	41,594	...	Cooch Behar
20	789,930	45,597	8	1,642	4,804	...	431	51	1,946	120	10	Dacca	
21	606,598	65,488	...	623	18,468	...	12	7	...	217	3	Mymensingh	
22	283,490	161,741	...	2,800	11,827	...	24	900	...	91	12	Faridpur	
23	4,430	271,249	...	805	176	...	...	260	25	...	...	Dakshin
24	142,408	14,780	...	206	1,672	...	...	...	24	182	...	Tippura (including Muzirippura)
25	1,244	4,715	...	1,412	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nasikhall
26	5,292	12,012	...	...	1,209	...	...	...	6,503	3	10	Chittagong
27	4,429	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	61	...	...	Chittagong Port
28	1,196	4,160,250	267,221,203	2,420	181,896	158,849	2,780	22,208	261,086	1,202,214	669,421	12,249	Total of Bengal
OTHER PROVINCES AND PLACES													
29	211,109	1,018,035	750,119	2,126,713	411,813	804	6,109	78,971	6,206	279,995	29,871	Bihar and Orissa	
30	240,422	102,299	52,760	48,187	146,924	760	2	31	1,230,737	120	85	Assam	
31	...	271,006	180,161	948,074	1,068,867	...	2,976	50,746	1,441	1,820	1,280	U. P. of Agra and Oudh	
32	...	107,366	55	225	124,616	32	...	1,603	224	71	24	Punjab	
33	...	1,109	...	294	20,972	...	...	...	24	6	12	Sind and British Baluchistan
34	...	102,169	20,172	61,022	61,064	6	176	...	60	120	2,000	Central Provinces and Berar	
35	...	21,212	1	...	122,240	7	5,294	2	214	2,432	179	Bombay	
36	...	22,212	2,227	690	6,480	124	30,020	22,708	907	26,742	260	Madras	
37	...	11,356	24,820	1	...	...	102	1,272	66	24,929	1,845	Burma
38	...	20,627	1,012	11,721	40,129	...	...	179	29	...	22	Nepal and Central India
39	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	Nizam's Territory
40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	617	19	1,408	Mysoor
41	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nicobar Islands
42	17,047	4,731,622	102,069,706	260,267	5,872,510	2,203,577	2,664,76	72,206	615,545	2,322,212	424,791	48,821	1919-20
43	17,239	4,826,126	229,689,197	240,061	4,046,449	2,784,294	1,926	141,779	407,742	2,932,141	298,222	64,646	1919-20 Grand Total
44	12,129	4,146,066	221,022,221	469,231	1,115,012	2,412,242	3,320	191,262	467,310	2,640,279	561,492	69,862	1917-18

(a) Includes imports into the mulls outside the Calcutta block which are 2,794,477 bales, but includes imports into the Kidderpore Dock, namely, 22,142 bales.
 (b) Including gunny cloth, 7 yards of cloth = 1 bag.
 (c) Of these, 2,901,266 bales came by rail, 1,432,262 bales by river, 62,009 bales by road, and 17,786 bales by sea.

TABLE III

Statement of the Routes by which the Articles enumerated in Table No. II were Imported into the Calcutta Trade Block in the eleven months, April, 1919, to February, 1920.

FOOD-STUFFS												
Routes	Rice	Paddy (a)	Wheat	Wheat flour	Gram and pulses	Other food-grains	Coal and coke	Cotton, raw	Cotton seed and yarn, Indian (4)	Other place goods, Indian (5)	Indigo	
	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Bales of 400 lbs	Mds	Rs	Mds	
By rail	K. L. Railway...	505,428	744,943	2,073,487	132,900	1,817,744	234,472	85,337,320	23,114	7,485	26,23,072	6,049
	K. B. Railway (including B. U. Railway)	1,119,913	723,542	246,042	7,211	1,106,245	76,147	8,296,429	3,499	3,619	11,23,438	1,784
	A. B. Railway...	6,400	241	1,959	2,023	822	70	16,908,623	1	26	4,231	41
	B. N. Railway...	408,847	164,412	1,959	2,023	61,230	7,014	16,908,623	147,913	160,281	6,06,31,819	41
	B. & N. W. Railway	646	1,433	784,687	1	422,576	109,680	...	437	31	25,467	2,847
	D. N. Railway...	...	...	504	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,474	...
	Howrah-Agra and Howrah-Bankhal Light Railways	187,687	124,039	...	...	723	...	...	...	...	...	...
By river steamer	Bengal and Bihar	802,312	32,802	11,715	66	73,030	38,371	30	17,776	540	2,20,094	...
	Orissa	1,484	2	76,486	2,204	43,673	4,304	...	88	...	11,486	...
	U. P. of Agra and Oudh	46,866	37,123	700	63	1,222	204	4,310	2	15	27,354	...
	U. P. of Agra and Oudh	...	...	90	14	2,000	30	...	4	...	...	...
By boat	...	3,879,608	1,714,767	22,453	486	267,028	19,838	2,064	2,533	29,200	20,84,600	1
By road	...	624,043	52,843	106	...	2,043	1,400	143,092	694	11,881	11,21,647	...
By sea	...	10,840,778	2,926	2,375	5	428,847	224,345	...	17,678	...	...	...
Total	1919-20	16,491,681	3,708,791	2,819,638	176,674	4,821,209	702,291	91,601,297	912,760	241,692	7,44,09,517	17,437
	1918-19	13,729,146	3,600,179	4,900,564	84,810	5,427,090	390,891	75,244,019	118,317	204,740	6,44,66,136	17,809
	1917-18	31,082,007	7,577,918	8,233,169	111,232	1,704,428	899,643	62,891,770	126,772	408,697	2,49,33,084	62,129

Routes	JUTE		Lac	OILSEEDS		Silk, raw	SUGAR		Tea, Indian	TOBACCO			
	Bales (d)	Gunny bags (e)		Linseed	Rape and mustard		Refined	Unrefined		Unmanufactured	Manufactured		
	Bales of 400 lbs	No.	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds		
By rail	K. L. Railway...	103,316	1,908,803	633,302	826,181	1,376,021	106	2,139	66,934	2,186	6,753	17,006	
	K. B. Railway (including B. U. Railway)	1,843,746	3,978,185	49,870	126,496	144,807	1,697	25	90,561	1,267,569	613,472	1,000	
	A. B. Railway...	242	44,772	266	6,927	44	...	1	...	414,657	...	26	
	B. N. Railway...	3,003	528,820	168,819	88,854	61,479	81	26,613	18,824	2,312	67,506	4,100	
	B. and N. W. Railway	14,946	25,875	103	2,270,080	418,649	...	4,464	39,771	60	45,519	2	
	D. N. Railway	...	132	...	...	...	...	...	...	378,445	...	...
	English-India Railway	...	39,017	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Howrah-Agra and Howrah-Bankhal Light Railways	6,640	35,216	...	33	...	...	...	...	...	11	...
	By river steamer	Bengal and Bihar	2,144,857	480,877	38	5,405	19,412	382	630	4,391	35,553	497	167
		Orissa	474	9,184	...	294	7,748	...	187	...	7,820	7,820	18,740
U. P. of Agra and Oudh		66,678	41,674	13,447	55,391	76,693	41	2	1,104,627	1	64	170	
U. P. of Agra and Oudh		...	326	...	...	223	...	694	...	118	...	...
By boat	...	290,780	241,754,819	...	19,967	16,166	1	2,089	206,943	24	27,326	19	
By road	...	62,906	1,908,281	...	296	4	...	20,104	73,313	...	11,806	10,268	
By sea	...	27,738	24,825	60,391	1	34,647	1	2,207	1,372	373	25,217	9,110	
Total	1919-20	4,731,833	269,089,708	630,207	2,272,310	2,705,277	5,489,2	73,266	516,342	3,726,912	234,791	49,831	
	1918-19	4,463,126	266,380,187	268,092	4,046,866	2,719,264	1,824	141,779	207,763	2,923,141	608,935	64,240	
	1917-18	4,745,009	391,089,321	126,521	1,113,052	3,816,282	5,226	191,862	447,219	3,660,372	241,402	69,963	

(a) One maund of paddy is equivalent to 25 maunds of rice.

(b) Excluding trade by sea (coastwise).

(c) The value rates are fixed quarterly, and the monthly valuation is made at the value rates of the preceding quarter.

(d) Excludes imports into the mills outside the Calcutta block, which are 2,704,477 bales, but includes imports into the Huddersfield block, namely, 2,147 bales.

(e) Including gunny cloth, 2 yards of cloth = 1 bag.

TABLE IV

Imports of certain Articles into the Port of Calcutta by Sea (Foreign and Coast-
wind) in the eleven months, April 1919 to February 1920.

	COTTON TWINE AND YARN		COTTON PIECE-GOODS		Karnataka	Salt
	Foreign	Indian	Foreign	Indian		
FOREIGN—	Mds	Mds	Rs	Rs	Mds	Mds
From United Kingdom ...	22,404	...	20,40,96,911	...	...	1,912,342
Other countries ...	7,544	...	2,17,35,973	...	2,011,440	7,789,124
Total ...	29,948	...	22,58,32,884	...	2,011,440	9,701,466
COASTWISE—						
From British Ports In—						
Bihar and Orissa ...	18	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay ...	1,446	37,122	6,90,370	1,94,94,512	...	424,420
Madras ...	972	146	29,170	3,24,881	...	...
Batavia ...	280	5,028	44,45,070	1,59,790	2,241,225	...
Total ...	2,396	29,396	56,65,610	2,00,19,584	2,241,225	424,420
GRAND TOTAL						
1919-20 ...	44,820	29,396	23,14,98,494	2,00,19,584	4,252,665	10,025,886
1918-19 ...	197,801	17,934	19,35,45,715	59,02,830	4,887,264	10,841,560
1917-18 ...	23,857	1,447	22,31,68,701	99,715	4,755,351	7,098,398

TABLE V

Exports of Principal Articles from the Port of Calcutta by Sea (Coastwise and to Foreign Countries) in the eleven months, April, 1919, to February, 1920.

	FOOD-STUFFS								Coal and coke	Cotton raw	Cotton twist and yarn Indian	Cotton piece goods Indian
	Rice	Paddy (a)	Total (in rice)	Wheat	Wheat flour	Gram and pulse	Other food-stuffs	Total				
Coastwise—	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Bales of 400 lbs	Mds	Mds
To British Ports in—												
Bengal ...	841	...	241	...	237	146	...	710	24,763	11	766	4,780
Bihar and Orissa	26,224	...	24,224	484	2,573	4,128	...	27,369	6,046	4	2,824	...
Bombay ...	11,262	...	11,262	...	...	12,031	...	29,297	1,205,791	...	...	...
Madras ...	668,241	114,208	782,449	9,462	624	402,076	1,478	1,451,183	324,140	...	42	...
Burma ...	9,416	...	9,416	50,902	216,470	647,478	26,771	649,266	2,789,770	163	127,230	14,01,423
To Indian Ports not British—												
Pondicherry ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	45,428	...	...	...
Total ...	814,190	114,208	928,398	59,746	216,611	779,643	28,248	8,194,811	3,001,627	179	127,702	14,06,623
Foreign—												
To United Kingdom	10	...	10	60	...	25,797	...	25,807	2,162	2,263	...	...
Other countries	1,276,006	4	1,276,010	12,221	70,942	492,221	21,276	1,667,676	12,622,499	102,270	97,630	1,12,086
Total ...	1,276,016	4	1,276,020	12,281	70,942	492,018	21,276	1,693,552	12,624,661	102,270	97,630	1,12,086
GRAND TOTAL	1,190,206	114,212	1,304,418	72,027	287,553	1,271,661	49,524	9,888,363	31,626,288	1,081,249	225,332	15,18,709
1916-19 ...	4,621,242	7,247	4,628,489	755,798	210,280	1,262,837	52,763	7,069,249	5,646,921	19,411	24,922	11,80,694
1917-18 ...	1,519,932	226	1,519,978	70,007	84,172	1,041,646	61,873	2,682,674	12,497,664	23,406	99,794	23,78,082

	Indigo	JUTE			OILSEEDS		Milk, raw	SUGAR		Tea, Indian	TOBACCO	
		Raw	Quincy bags	Len	Linseed	Rape and mustard		Refined	Un-refined		Un-manufactured	Manufactured
Coastwise—	Mds	Bales of 400 lbs	Ns	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds	Mds
To British Ports in—												
Bengal ...	...	...	6,914	...	...	...	...	2,276	2,147	7	794	29
Bihar and Orissa	...	...	21,271	...	...	126	...	470	722	...	1,622	210
Bombay ...	...	...	2,224,220	...	...	999	...	54,222	...	...	...	...
Madras ...	220	0	1,402,720	106	...	1,610	...	1,117,244	...	20	...	...
Burma ...	...	207	10,021,220	1,021	...	6,226	12	24,000	10,720	17,422	146,212	2,200
To Indian Ports not British—												
Pondicherry ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	220	276	40,221,070	1,204	...	7,979	12	240,468	14,870	37,422	146,122	2,211
Foreign—												
To United Kingdom	1,604	1,070,226	94,009,720	116,770	2,572,221	12,001	2,762	7	2,721	2,622,242	27,124	201
Other countries	17,242	1,172,210	724,202,227	226,226	1,222,720	74,224	2,067	2,720	24	242,722	61,201	4,242
Total ...	18,846	2,242,226	718,211,947	242,940	3,794,941	86,225	2,774	2,727	2,725	2,624,964	118,224	4,243
GRAND TOTAL	19,066	2,242,502	718,218,173	244,140	3,801,222	86,237	2,786	2,734	2,750	2,627,588	118,244	4,244
1916-19 ...	24,642	2,022,157	1,122,222,220	222,116	1,222,200	226,221	2,202	22,277	2,206	2,270,222	220,222	7,222
1917-18 ...	20,222	1,172,210	1,222,222,224	222,117	772,222	270,226	4,212	2,212	7,276	2,122,720	122,224	2,000

(a) One mound of paddy is equivalent to 25 cwt of rice.
(b) Including muslin cloth, 7 yards of cloth = 1 bag.

TABLE VI

Exports of certain Articles from the Calcutta Trade Block by rail, road, river, canal, and sea (coastwise) in the eleven months, April, 1919 to February, 1920.

Wharves exported	COTTON TWIST & TANK		COTTON PIECEGOODS*		Gunny bag†	KEROSENE OIL		Salt
	Foreign	Indian	Foreign	Indian		From Calcutta block	From Budge-Budge‡	
BERGAL	Mds	Mds	Rs	Rs	No	Mds	Mds	Mds
Burdwan	818	5,572	64,66,448	5,31,784	1,124,044	40,808	160,754	226,667
Birbhum	386	12,465	32,71,476	5,06,561	836,446	468	64,604	144,568
Bishnupur	359	5,885	10,15,337	11,822	111,689	169	1,171	97,858
Midnapur	13,118	11,323	49,13,741	4,76,541	468,399	12,319	109,344	810,304
Hooghly	2,617	813	14,81,073	2,61,387	389,343	51,649	151,261	321,370
Ja-Parganas	1,914	2,917	10,65,399	6,13,473	1,168,946	103,918	94,191	367,574
Kadia	3,359	56,740	90,89,444	10,41,327	392,644	16,413	69,418	120,473
Murshidabad	667	8,444	64,96,089	3,23,776	341,024	6,673	109,266	264,806
Jessore	2,719	7,087	27,86,943	6,61,066	332,870	16,376	61,171	171,704
Khulna	2,649	1,644	15,84,845	6,66,677	311,667	14,607	64,690	93,466
Rajshahi	48	871	4,13,788	3,64,669	364,609	4,796	48,476	108,879
Shahpur	5	1,644	37,06,074	10,83,088	427,653	797	60,864	160,873
Jalpaiguri	138	4,063	66,85,247	13,54,327	363,781	3,696	55,317	173,800
Darjeeling	861	2,320	36,19,386	3,51,668	174,743	1,064	48,727	107,346
Raipur	540	2,471	1,04,09,808	15,81,569	323,435	1,364	106,603	347,391
Bogra	27	1,043	55,00,383	25,96,391	446,120	2,106	60,263	221,343
Pabna	4,741	6,647	24,57,546	16,73,394	304,407	668	247,217	354,644
Walla	27	7,180	37,12,037	6,70,276	348,339	116	4,693	9,081
Cox's Bazar	98	1,190	21,64,069	2,54,969	546,660	213	34,249	70,140
Dacca	13,613	11,693	1,09,52,451	20,10,660	173,744	18,139	671,886	661,600
Mymensingh	6,656	1,666	54,22,230	70,78,280	116,466	793	47,437	697,323
Faridpur	12,330	2,711	22,32,137	14,42,179	320,091	12,603	63,736	267,336
Babarganj	11,878	806	16,64,661	20,61,734	669,811	7,399	61,968	347,374
Tippera (including Mill Tippera)	2,079	11,739	56,59,669	1,65,441	190,700	438	966	189,908
Soukhali	2,666	6,624	23,24,236	3,29,386	50,028	66	51	6,091
Chittagong	6,698	633	7,10,561	5,47,413	366,694	166	36	21,463
Chittagong Port	73	632	24,02,176	6,06,736	74,387	---	67	26
Total of Bengal	96,064	1,06,009	1,56,59,146	2,54,53,227	5,976,007	367,841	2,190,886	6,441,321
OTHER PROVINCES AND PLACES								
Bihar and Orissa	6,703	91,068	2,60,67,196	1,39,45,284	2,774,311	7,467	1,247,231	2,413,743
Assam	10,896	10,789	2,51,91,811	63,70,661	1,587,633	12,680	71,671	741,116
C. P. of Agra and Oudh	2,173	5,650	2,61,52,339	47,91,944	9,189,944	7,218	1,328,391	27,463
Punjab	6,784	1,923	2,32,15,073	8,96,846	10,467,178	166	181,132	99
Siad and British Baluchistan	---	---	2,30,721	13,319	2,441,241	337	545	---
Central Provinces and Berar	600	946	27,19,659	6,02,672	5,464,418	2,763	34,603	2,628
Bombay	3,479	1,383	28,36,263	2,07,616	15,191,085	6,164	178	---
Madras	6,576	10,676	16,16,616	6,76,104	10,962,634	2,753	1,176	176
Burma	6,778	197,390	66,85,674	14,01,638	36,451,238	298	160	449
Nepal and Central India	107	167	14,19,469	1,49,668	1,896,068	1,797	44,697	2
Kashmir State	47	1	1,743	1,664	19,841	---	---	---
Nizam's Territory	---	19	4,24,354	4,619	1,429,316	2,616	---	---
Mysore	---	---	13,070	1,327	421,644	---	---	---
Nicobar Islands	---	---	656	---	---	---	---	27
Port Blair	---	598	17,800	6,780	636	---	---	---
1919-20	146,667	454,616	26,02,31,166	6,54,90,323	116,209,879	350,371	2,020,046	8,457,419
GRAND TOTAL	193,419	244,476	34,38,57,703	2,71,28,166	154,149,806	273,076	6,134,870	7,164,367
1917-18	199,419	271,744	31,67,26,646	1,02,18,794	16,194,064	324,036	6,714,802	8,609,939

* The value rates are fixed quarterly, and the monthly valuation is made at the value rates of the preceding quarter.

† Including gunny cloth, 2 yards of cloth = 1 bag.

‡ The exports of kerosene oil from Budge-Budge to Calcutta during the eleven months, April 1919 to February, 1920, were 576,499 tons, as against 563,440 tons in 1917-18 and 541,675 tons in the corresponding periods of 1916-17 and 1917-18, respectively.

TABLE VII

Statement of the Routes by which the Articles enumerated in Table No. VI were exported from the Calcutta Trade Block in the eleven months, April, 1919, to February, 1920.

Routes.	COTTON TWIST AND YARN		COTTON PIECEGOODS*		Gunny-bags†	KEROSENE OIL		Salt
	Foreign	Indian	Foreign	Indian		From Calcutta Block	From Ridge-Bridge	
	Mds	Mds	Rs	Rs	No	Mds	Mds	MTs
E. I. Railway ...	9,389	65,880	6,79,62,671	74,37,691	11,674,007	32,126	1,586,094	1,570,520
E. R. Railway (including E. C. Railway)	4,678	96,801	7,68,44,678	1,94,71,694	3,639,301	26,312	878,487	2,777,043
A. R. Railway ...	2,031	28,116	1,87,96,118	15,02,848	399,890	4,084	1,338	189,468
B. R. Railway ...	1,761	51,171	96,16,577	39,69,341	3,457,307	8,420	3,060	349,439
N. & N.-W. Railway ...	338	9,999	4,21,41,093	1,08,69,338	4,339,982	1,481	871,074	497,314
O. & R. Railway ...	639	1,109	53,43,817	4,11,818	1,438,114	1,166	247,893	64
Howrah-Amra and Howrah-Bachchan Light Railways	1,763	...	4,20,103	...	51,743	2,949	...	35,371
By rail ...	2,723	617	59,37,197	8,87,160	31,681,393	44	48,209	...
G. I. P. Railway ...	2,671	1,916	88,76,478	8,91,996	14,073,189	8,496	33,380	7
B. R. & C. I. Railway ...	178	474	14,36,613	3,63,748	3,130,383	264	12,817	...
M. & S. M. Railway ...	8,163	5,683	13,19,529	9,03,756	7,701,071	3,796	...	39
S. I. Railway ...	34	216	51,623	48,896	1,467,327	...	...	...
J. B. Railway ...	...	11	4,42,028	17,558	151,664	389	341	...
N. G. R. Railway ...	...	10	6,84,900	4,309	733,976	8,616	...	...
Other Railways ...	187	8	11,66,723	3,83,810	306,123	1,589	61,661	17,041
By river steamer ...	76,319	28,316	3,37,63,408	1,31,84,517	1,938,857	32,480	208,761	1,386,849
Bihar and Orissa ...	280	1,324	9,09,991	2,36,184	1,771,159	18	...	16,623
Assam ...	16,083	8,143	1,19,54,880	44,63,327	823,177	7,349	21,069	485,645
U. P. of Agra and Oudh ...	31	26	3,08,349	18,464	223,713	40	...	...
By boat ...	8,776	...	11,38,190	1,48,190	371,760	98,828	147,824	316,190
By road ...	5,888	496	19,69,783	7,62,139	917,496	114,919	6,898	184,047
By sea ...	11,379	180,702	80,31,074	14,06,899	40,381,870	...	17,837	16,406
Total ...	146,863	674,316	28,02,31,168	8,33,90,338	114,209,578	240,371	3,080,033	8,937,910
1919-20 ...	318,319	339,879	84,33,97,703	3,71,76,184	133,143,408	272,078	4,134,670	7,163,337
1918-19 ...	190,543	371,764	21,40,28,584	3,92,13,790	68,199,134	234,036	4,793,363	6,899,875

* The value rates are fixed quarterly and the monthly valuation is made at the value rates of the preceding quarter.

† Including gunny cloth, 3 yards of cloth = 1 bag.

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, INDIA,

D. N. GHOSH,

April 27, 1920.

Offg. Director of Statistics.

List of prices of articles of food at Calcutta during the week ending Saturday, the 26th April 1920.

Names of articles.	WHOLESALE PRICE PER MAUND.				RETAIL PRICE PER SEER.				
	From—		To—		From—		To—		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Rice—									
Balam, coarse	7	0	0	7	8	0	0	3	6
" medium	8	0	0	8	12	0	0	3	0
Patnai, coarse	7	8	0	8	3	0	0	3	6
" medium	8	4	0	8	10	0	0	3	0
Nagra, coarse	8	0	0	8	8	0	0	3	6
" medium	9	0	0	9	4	0	0	3	0
Dudhkalma	8	5	0	8	10	0	0	3	6
Rangoon Boiled	6	14	0	7	2	0	0	3	14
Kajla	7	0	0	7	8	0	0	3	0
Wheat, Dudhia	6	14	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
" Ganajali	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" Jamali	6	4	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gram, Patnai (whole)	7	9	0	7	12	0	0	3	3
" dal	8	0	0	8	12	0	0	3	6
Mung " (Hari)	6	12	0	7	0	0	0	5	0
" " (Krishna)	7	12	0	8	0	0	0	4	0
Arhar	10	8	0	11	0	0	0	4	0
Masur " (split)	6	4	0	6	8	0	0	2	6
" " (Khanri)	9	8	0	10	0	0	0	4	6
Kalai	8	8	0	9	0	0	0	3	6
Salt (Liverpool)	2	14	0	3	2	0	0	1	6
Sugar (Brown Java)	24	8	0	25	0	0	0	10	6
Gur, Bheli	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	4	6
" Bhursat	9	12	0	10	0	0	0	5	0
" Date	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Milk	9	0	0	12	0	0	0	4	0
Mustard oil	25	8	0	27	0	0	0	11	0
Flour (country)	8	0	0	8	4	0	0	4	0
Atta, No. 3	5	12	0	...	...	...	0	3	0
" " 2½	6	2	0	...	...	...	0	4	0
" " B	9	2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Suji	9	0	0	9	8	0	0	4	0
Ghee (Bhadwa, Matki, etc.)	...	...	...	Not in stock			...	...	...
" (Patiram, Khurja, Ruto, Etwa, better kind, etc.)	100	0	0	102	0	0	2	10	0
" (Lalli, Etwa, Sagar, etc.)	94	0	0	96	0	0	2	8	0
Maize	3	8	0	4	0	0	...	...	...
Potatoes	3	14	0	4	8	0	0	1	6
Patal	5	0	0	7	0	0	0	3	0
Brinjal	2	8	0	4	0	0	0	1	6
Onions	2	0	0	3	8	0	0	1	0
Fish, Rahu	35	0	0	42	0	0	0	14	0
Mutton (2nd class)	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	10	0
Beef (2nd and 3rd classes)	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	3	0

N.B.—This is an abstract of prices at the following markets :—

Wholesale.—Chetla Hat, Ramkrishnapur Hat, Sealdah Fish and Milk Market, Posta Bazar.
Retail.—Sir Stuart Hogg Market, Orphanage Market, Sovra Bazar, Natan Bazar, Raja Babu's Bazar, Bow Bazar, Kuraya Bazar, Taltolla Bazar, Mallick Bazar, Jugu Babu's Bazar.

S. C. GHOSH,

for President, Advisory Food Committee.

CALCUTTA, the 26th April 1920.

**Statement showing the gauge-readings at Dacca Water-Works Station
on the river Buriganga for the week ending the 10th April 1920.**

Date.	At 7 A.M.	AT HIGHEST WATER.		AT LOWEST WATER.		At 3 P.M.	Remarks.
		Time.	Readings.	Time.	Readings.		
1920.							
4th April	54.55	12-5	55.5	...	...	54.5	H. T. at 12-13.
5th "	54.2	12-55	55.5	8-30	54.0	54.6	F. T. at 8-40 and H. T. at 14-5.
6th "	54.1	13-30	55.45	7-15	53.95	54.55	F. T. at 7-25 and H. T. at 15-45.
7th "	54.0	14-0	55.3	8-0	53.7	54.4	F. T. at 8-15 and H. T. at 16-12.
8th "	54.0	14.40	55.2	8-38	53.55	54.3	F. T. at 8-50 and H. T. at 16-40.
9th "	53.8	15-20	55.0	9-12	53.4	54.2	F. T. at 9-45 and H. T. at 17-11.
10th "	53.7	16-0	54.7	10-0	53.05	54.2	F. T. at 10-15 and H. T. at 18-15.

Notable high and low water-levels of previous years.

27th August	1906	70.6	Taken at high tide.
5th September	1908	...	...	...	67.88
10th August	1910	...	...	...	69.86
1st "	1911	...	...	...	68.46
18th "	1912	...	...	...	67.16
31st "	1913	...	...	...	69.7
18th "	1914	...	...	...	68.1
12th "	1917	...	...	...	67.1
31st "	1918	...	...	...	68.12
28th February	1907	51.06	Taken at low tide.
18th "	1908	...	...	...	51.06
12th March	1912	...	...	...	51.06
6th "	1914	...	...	...	50.00
22nd February	1915	...	...	...	50.30
16th "	1916	...	...	...	50.80
3rd March	1917	...	...	...	51.0
21st February	1918	...	...	...	51.40

DACCA,
The 19th April 1920.

BINODE BEHARY RAI,
for Executive Engineer, Dacca Divn.

**Statement showing the Gauge-readings at Dacca Water-works Station
on the river Buriganga for the week ending the 17th April 1920.**

Date.	At 7 A.M.	AT HIGHEST WATER.		AT LOWEST WATER.		At 3 P.M.	Remarks.
		Time.	Readings.	Time.	Readings.		
1920.							
15th Apr.	53.6	16-50	54.2	10-45	53.0	54.2	F. T. at 10-35 and H. T. at 17.
12th "	53.4	17-40	54.0	11-30	53.05	53.85	F. T. at 11-45 and H. T. at 17-50.
13th "	53.8	6-40	54.0	12-25	53.0	53.7	H. T. at 6-50 and F. T. at 17-40.
14th "	53.65	7-30	53.95	13-12	53.0	53.55	H. T. at 7-45 and F. T. at 13-35.
15th "	53.9	8-15	53.8	14-0	52.9	53.4	H. T. at 8-10 and F. T. at 14-10.
16th "	53.4	9-10	54.4	14-55	52.95	53.3	H. T. at 9-20 and F. T. at 14-10.
17th "	53.55	10-0	54.8	15-40	53.0	53.2	H. T. at 10-15 and F. T. at 15-50.

Notable high and low water levels of previous years.

27th August	1906	70.6	Taken at high tide.
5th September	1908	...	...	...	67.88
10th August	1910	...	...	...	69.86
1st "	1911	...	...	...	68.46
18th "	1912	...	...	...	67.16
31st "	1913	...	...	...	69.7
18th "	1914	...	...	...	68.1
12th "	1917	...	...	...	67.1
31st "	1918	...	...	...	68.12
28th February	1907	51.06	Taken at low tide.
18th "	1908	...	...	...	51.06
12th March	1912	...	...	...	51.06
6th "	1914	...	...	...	50.00
22nd February	1915	...	...	...	50.30
16th "	1916	...	...	...	50.80
3rd March	1917	...	...	...	51.0
21st February	1918	...	...	...	51.40

DACCA,
The 23rd April 1920.

BINODE BEHARI RAY,
for Executive Engineer, Dacca Division.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the rivers Ganges and Brahmaputra at Goalundo for the week ending 24th April 1920.

Month and date.	Hour.	Height of surface above or below zero of gauge.	Height of surface above mean sea-level.	Height of surface above datum level no change date last year.	Remarks.
1920.					
18th April	7 A.M.	8.6	8.6	8.2	Zero is placed at mean sea-level. The bench mark for the gauge is on a pucca pillar between the passenger ghāt and Chaulpur ghāt. Its reduced level is 26.84.
19th "	7 "	8.9	8.9	8.2	
20th "	7 "	9.0	9.0	8.4	
21st "	7 "	9.1	9.1	8.4	
22nd "	7 "	9.1	9.1	8.4	
23rd "	7 "	9.1	9.1	8.4	
24th "	7 "	9.0	9.0	8.5	

The previous year	...	Highest water-level	...	28.7 on 15th September 1919.
Ditto	...	Lowest	...	8.1 on 21st February 1919.
Record (H. F. in Brahmaputra and Ganges)	...	Highest	...	25.76 on 28th August 1908.
Record (average flood in Brahmaputra and Ganges)	...	Ditto	...	25.74 on 20th and 21st August 1899.
Record (H. F. in Brahmaputra and Ganges)	...	Ditto	...	25.66 on 11th to 17th and 31st August 1899 and on 1st to 3rd September 1899.
Record (H. F. in Brahmaputra only)	...	Ditto	...	25.68 on 21st July 1900.
Do.	...	Lowest	...	1.0 on 6th February 1914.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	2.42 on 13th March 1908.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	2.91 on 21st to 24th February 1881 and 8th to 9th March 1884.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	3.18 on 9th to 11th March 1885.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	3.16 on 14th, 17th and 28th to 31st March 1901.

N.B.—The gauge-reading commenced from 3rd October 1909.

Faridpur,
The 25th April 1920.

R. K. GHOSE,
for Subdivisional Officer, P. W. D., Faridpur.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the river Ganges at Rampur-Boalia for the week ending the 24th April 1920.

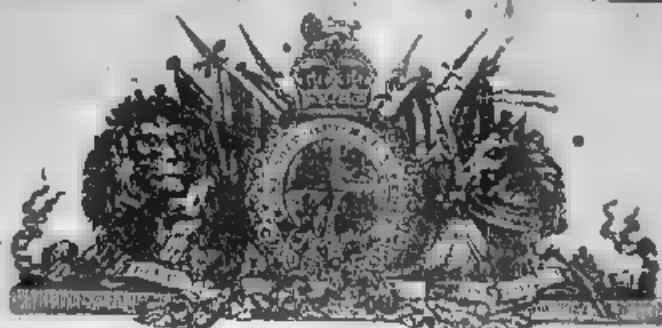
Date.	Hour.	Height of surface above or below zero—minus sign for those below zero.	Height of surface above mean sea-level according to P. W. D. datum.	Height of surface above datum level on the same date last year according to P. W. D. datum.	Remarks.
1920.					
18th April	8 A.M.	Zero of gauge is at mean sea level.	35.00	35.31	P. W. D. datum 6.25 feet above Kidderpur old dock sill. B. M. on College step 64.93
19th "	8 "		35.95	35.31	
20th "	8 "		35.90	35.28	
21st "	8 "		35.90	35.26	
22nd "	8 "		35.85	35.31	
23rd "	8 "		35.85	35.28	
24th "	8 "		35.85	35.21	

		Old value.	According to P. W. D. datum.
The previous year	Highest water level	41.29 on 18th September 1919	62.80
Ditto	Lowest	35.51 on 6th May 1919	35.01
Record	Highest	59.36 on 26th August 1879	64.44
Do.	Ditto	69.08 on 9th September 1886	64.27
Do.	Ditto	68.20 on 26th August 1906	65.47
Do.	Ditto	68.21 on 26th August 1890	63.40
Do.	Lowest	37.63 on 29th April 1884	32.82
Do.	Ditto	38.13 on 14th-16th April 1883	33.82
Do.	Ditto	39.02 on 21st-22nd April 1897	34.81
Do.	Ditto	39.28 on 6th-7th May 1908	34.47

N.B.—The gauge readings commenced from the 1st August 1867.

Boalia:
The 24th April 1920.

S. C. BHATTACHARJI,
for Executive Engineer, Rajshahi Division.



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RESOLUTION ON THE FINAL REPORT ON THE FAMINE RELIEF OPERATIONS IN THE DISTRICT OF BANKURA DURING THE YEAR 1919.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Agricultural Branch.

DARJEELING, THE 3RD MAY 1920.

RESOLUTION—No. 87T. R.

READ—

Letter No. 3R.G., dated the 23rd April 1920, from the Commissioner of the Bardwan Division, submitting with his remarks the final report by the Collector of Bankura on the famine relief operations, in the district of Bankura, during the year 1919.

THE district of Bankura which comprises an area of 2,621 square miles and has a population of 1,138,000, enjoys the unenviable notoriety of being more susceptible to famine than any other district in the Presidency. It

suffered from famine in 1866, 1874, 1897 and 1916 and from scarcity in 1886 and 1908; it suffered again from famine in 1919. The causes for its liability to famine are peculiar to itself. The whole of the Sadar subdivision on the west, in addition to a large area of the Vishnupur subdivision in the south and west, is an undulating rocky and jungly tract. Owing to the rocky nature of the soil only a little over one-third of the district is cultivated. On 83 per cent. of the cultivated area winter rice is grown and on 7 per cent. autumn rice. Except, however, in the valleys or furrows in the undulating country, much of the soil is not very fertile, and, as it lies on the slopes or uplands, cannot be properly irrigated except from reservoirs, called *bandhs*, which are, however, both inadequate in quality and quantity. If the rainfall fails or is not properly distributed, the cultivators of these lands suffer. The cultivating classes represent 74 per cent. of the total population of the district and consist largely of aboriginals and semi-aboriginals. They are mainly dependent upon the rice crop for their livelihood and subsistence. In normal times this is more than sufficient for their needs; but they are still far from acquiring the habit of thrift, so that when a failure of the crops occurs they have nothing to fall back upon. Moreover, owing to their improvident habits the best lands have been sold for their debts and thus concentrated in a proportionately small number of hands. The three main causes for famine in the district of Bankura are therefore (1) the unfertility of the upland soil, (2) the thriftlessness of the inhabitants, and (3) the unequal distribution of the soil amongst the different classes.

2. The above three causes operated to bring about the famine of 1919. It must not, however, be supposed that there was at any period of the famine an insufficiency of foodstuffs in the district. Such was not the case; though arrangements were made for the supply of Burma rice in local areas in which there was a temporary shortage, or where local dealers attempted to inflate prices. In normal times the district produces more rice than it requires for its own consumption; and last year sufficient rice remained in the district from the harvests of the previous years for its needs. The trouble was the unequal distribution of the surplus and the fact that the distressed classes had not the wherewithal to purchase it. During the two years following the famine years of 1915-16 there were bumper harvests; but before the people could entirely recover from its effects the rains again failed. In the months of July and September 1918, the rainfall was 50 per cent. in defect of the normal over the greater part of the district and practically failed towards the end of the latter month, with the result that the outturn of the autumn and winter rice crops was only 53 per cent. of the normal. Further, the situation was aggravated by the epidemic of influenza which levied a heavy toll on the people in the months of November and December, removing many of the bread-winners from amongst the poor.

The situation was moreover complicated by the high prices for the necessaries of life caused by the war, in particular by the high price of cloth. It was these two extraneous factors which made the distress as keenly felt as in 1916, otherwise the famine neither in point of duration, extent or numbers compared in magnitude with that of 1916. The classes affected by the distress were landless labourers, small cultivators, the poorer *bhadralog*, lepers and mendicants; of the latter two categories there is an unduly large proportion in the district. The industrial classes with the important exception of cotton weavers were hardly affected at all. No deaths occurred from starvation.

3. The first indication of distress was the lack of sufficient water for man or beast; for the improvement of this the District Board made arrangements by the provision of cheap wells. But the situation rapidly developed into a difficulty of food and raiment as well as of water. It was, however, carefully watched and timely preparations were made so that relief operations were started immediately they were required at the end of January 1919. Owing to the increase in the area affected and the intensity of the

distress the existence of famine was formally declared with effect from the 15th May 1919. The distress reached its zenith at the end of July and began to abate at the end of August; relief operations were closed in the middle of October 1919 when the harvesting of the early autumn rice-crop restored normal conditions. The area affected in varying degrees was 2,364 square miles and excluded the three most eastern thanas, in the district, of Kotalpur, Indas and Seromanipur. The whole expenditure met from public funds on the relief operations, including the relief work organised by the District Board, was borne by the State.

4. For the purpose of relief, the distressed area was divided into 17 circles. With few exceptions each circle was placed in charge of a special relief officer, who was responsible for the supervision of (a) gratuitous relief, (b) relief on works, and (c) the actual distribution of loans, the three main forms of Government relief. But the initial preparation of lists of persons entitled to gratuitous relief was entrusted to non-official local committees; and both this relief and the wages to persons employed on relief works were distributed by honorary agencies, ordinarily belonging to the chaukidari panchayat. The relief works included 26 reservoirs, 2 irrigation channels and 71 roads. They were village works selected so as to be near the home of the workers with a view to the completion of work left unfinished at the previous famine, to the very necessary provision of irrigation works and sources of water-supply and, lastly, to the development of internal and inter-district communications. Almost all the works have been completed and steps have been taken to complete those remaining unfinished at the close of the relief operations. The total expenditure incurred in wages was Rs. 2,62,907; the daily average of persons employed was 5,408, whilst the largest number employed at one time was 12,364 or 1·27 per cent. of the affected population. The average daily wage per head was annas 2-11 against annas 2-2·8 in the previous famine. This higher average is attributed to the higher scale of wages fixed under the piece work system on the basis of prevailing prices. The price of common rice which had been 7 seers to the rupee in January rose to 4½ seers in September, though it was at no time high in comparison with the prices prevailing in the rest of the province. The wages given were sufficient to maintain the dependants of the workers.

Gratuitous relief was given chiefly in the shape of cash doles weekly at the rate of 5 pice daily for a man, 3 pice for a woman and 2 pice for a child. During July and August when the price of rice rose to 5 seers or less a rupee the rate was enhanced by a pice in each case. No kitchens or poor houses were opened. The cost of gratuitous relief amounted to Rs. 1,19,680; the average cost per head was 10·18 pice against 9·16 pice in 1915-16, the higher cost being due to the higher range of prices. The daily average of persons relieved was 9,769 being 1·008 per cent. of the population affected. The numbers on gratuitous relief were in excess of those relieved on works; but the Governor in Council is satisfied that this was inevitable owing to the presence of a large number of physical wrecks from poverty and disease in the lower strata of the population.

A certain amount of special relief was given by Government on light work of paddy-husking, net-bag making and the collection of *ghutia*, whilst cloth was provided by Government for free distribution through the District Relief Committee.

Loans under the Agriculturists' Loans Act were advanced to 51,655 persons to the extent of Rs. 5,70,193, and under the Land Improvement Loans Act to the amount of Rs. 25,951. The Governor in Council endorses the opinion of the Collector that these loans were beneficial to the recipients and preserved their morale. The percentage of the cost of the establishment to the total cost of relief was 6 per cent. against 6·5 per cent. in the previous famine. His Excellency in Council, therefore, notices with satisfaction that the relief works were conducted in such an economical manner.

5. Charitable relief from private funds was given mainly through the District Relief Committee of which the District Judge was the president, and several charitable societies some of which had co-operated during the previous famine. Relief was also afforded by means of private works. Amongst other activities the District Relief Committee gave relief to those cotton weavers who could not be formed into registered co-operative societies by the distribution of yarn to them for conversion into cloth which was subsequently in its turn used for gratuitous relief. They manufactured cloth valued at Rs. 11,198 and made a free distribution of 21,642 pieces of cloth valued at Rs. 31,484 including standard cloth supplied by Government. To the different charitable societies were assigned areas in which to distribute relief. This was mainly given in the form of doles of rice, cooked food or cash. They relieved 1,551 persons daily on an average, but were handicapped by lack of funds. They worked throughout in harmony with the official organisation. Some 872 works, including 153 irrigation works and 102 tanks and wells, were conducted by private agencies with or without Government aid. The total expenditure on such works was Rs. 1,67,558. The Marwari community opened useful kitchens in Bankura and Vishnupur.

6. The problem of relieving cotton weavers was satisfactorily solved by the timely formation of the Bankura Industrial Co-operative Union, Limited. The Bengal Provincial Co-operative Federation gave to the union credit for a lakh of rupees, while Government gave a guarantee against loss to the extent of a quarter of a lakh. This union rapidly extended its operations and had at the end of October 1919, 41 societies affiliated to it with a membership of 555 individuals. It gave employment to 500 families. Those cotton weavers who could not be formed into societies were relieved, as already mentioned, by the District Relief Committee.

7. Though it cannot be expected that the district of Bankura can be made proof against famine in any short time, remedial measures are being adopted, or being investigated, by Government. Indeed the report contains some indications of the directions in which an advance has been made for the economic regeneration of the district which will provide an insurance against future famine. In the resolution on the famine relief operations of 1915-16 a hope was expressed that amongst honorary workers of the district there would be found men who would undertake the task of introducing co-operation and thrift, and thereby prepare the people to meet future famines. His Excellency in Council is gratified to notice that since then the co-operative movement has begun to take a hold on the district as indicated by the good work done by the Bankura co-operative industrial union amongst the weavers. The union is now organising credit societies to promote the habit of thrift, and several co-operative granaries have already been registered. An effort is also being made to organise irrigation co-operative societies. It is obvious that the problem of irrigation is of the utmost importance in Bankura; and it is hoped that by the passing of the Agricultural and Sanitary Improvement Bill into an Act, greater facilities will be afforded to agriculturists for the execution of irrigation works. The Agricultural Department have taken up the problem of evolving a drought-resisting variety of autumn rice capable of germinating even in years of comparatively small rainfall; and it has been decided, in accordance with the general policy of expansion in the Agricultural Department, to establish an agricultural farm in the district headquarters where experiments on the agricultural problems peculiar to the district will be undertaken and demonstration of the results of experiments made.

8. The Hon'ble Mr. Cumming, Member-in-charge, visited the district in December 1918 and in March and August 1919, made extensive tours with the Commissioner and Collector and gave necessary instructions for the guidance of the officers employed on the work of relief: he found that the operations were conducted with economy and efficiency. The Governor in Council desires to place on record his appreciation of the services rendered

by Mr. Lees and Mr. Gupta, the Commissioners of the Bardwan Division, and Mr. Vas, the Collector of Bankura. Mr. Vas worked with great zeal, and displayed energy, tact, foresight, and resourcefulness in conducting the relief operations. The thanks of the Governor in Council are also due to the Rev. A. Brown and the other members of the District Relief Committee, who rendered highly valuable assistance. Among the others serving in the district Rai Sahib Suresh Chandra Chatarji, District Engineer, and Babus Satish Chandra Ghosh and Prafulla Chandra Ghosh, sub-divisional officers, deserve special mention. His Excellency in Council is also pleased to notice the efficient work done by the panchayats, and the spirit of civic service with which they were imbued, and has decided to have tangible marks of recognition of their labours presented to those who were conspicuous in this respect. The thanks of His Excellency in Council are also due to the numerous charitable organisations and to all private persons who generously gave material assistance in the efficient and successful working of the relief operations.

By order of the Governor in Council, .

M. C. McALPIN,

Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

**RESOLUTION ON THE RELIEF OPERATIONS CARRIED
OUT IN THE BRAHMANBARIA SUBDIVISION OF THE
TIPPERA DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR 1919.**

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Agricultural Branch.

DARJEELING, THE 1ST MAY 1920.

RESOLUTION—No. 82TR.

READ—

Letter No. 619G., dated the 7th February 1920, from the Commissioner of the Chittagong Division, submitting the final report on the relief operations in the Brahmanbaria subdivision of the Tippera district during the year 1919.

THE report deals with the operations for the relief of distress which prevailed in the Brahmanbaria subdivision of the Tippera district during a period of nine months from February to October 1919. There was also some distress in local areas of the Sadar and Chandpur subdivisions of the district which was of short duration and promptly relieved. The total area of the subdivision is 769 square miles and the population is 385,996; out of this area 300 square miles with a population of 250,000 were affected. During the previous distress of 1915-16 the whole of the subdivision except one thana was affected. The duration and extent of the distress on the present occasion was not such as to necessitate at any stage of the operations the declaration of scarcity or famine; but a report under section 59 and annual periodical returns under section 66 of the Bengal Famine Code were submitted to the Government of India.

2. The subdivision has come into unfortunate prominence within recent years on account of its floods. The north of the subdivision is low and marshy; it lies in the fairway of the effluent from Sylhet, which is fed by the rainfall in Cherrapunji and Silchar, which is the highest in India. It is inevitable that simultaneous heavy rainfall over a large catchment area in comparatively flat country must produce temporary floods. The result of a special examination made in 1919 was to show that the Assam-Bengal Railway embankment through the subdivision does not, as a matter of fact, aggravate the floods. The earlier history of the district indicates the occurrence of floods in the district in the years 1887 and 1907. The floods of 1915, however, combined the evils of untimeliness and unusual height. Then again in 1918 there was a high flood in the month of July which had a most detrimental effect on the autumn rice, the jute and also on the broadcast winter paddy. As the flood water subsided very late, the transplantation of winter paddy and the sowing of the winter crops was impeded. Furthermore, there was a drought which lasted from the middle of October 1918 to the end of June 1919. The floods caused damage to crops in the season 1918-19 to the extent of 70 per cent. of winter rice, 60 per cent. of autumn rice and 30 per cent. of jute, whilst the prolonged drought brought about a lack of drinking water and retarded the sowing of jute and *aus* paddy in the year 1919. The jute crop in that year was, however, on the whole successful; but not even half of the normal early *aus* crop was obtained. The people in the affected areas were also hard hit by the high prices of foodgrains and by the contraction of credit which is a marked feature of any distress in this subdivision. Further, there was some physical deterioration of the cultivating and labouring classes owing to outbreaks of influenza and cholera. The relief measures extended over a period of nine months from February to October 1919. The intensity of the distress was probably not half that of the distress in the years 1915 and 1916, except in the months of June, July and August 1919, when the distress was at its height.

3. The distress mainly affected cultivators, landless labourers, beggars and indigent widows. The principal measures adopted by Government were

directed towards the restoration of credit and the grant of relief on works or of gratuitous relief. Loans under the Agriculturists' Loans Act were advanced to the extent of Rs. 2,44,953 against Rs. 9,69,148 in the years 1915-16; and Rs. 1,803 was spent for the distribution of seed, by the District Board with the help of the Agricultural Department. Apart from gratuitous relief in the shape of cash and rice and salt doles it was found necessary to distribute standard cloth; and a total sum of Rs. 99,056 was spent on gratuitous relief as compared with Rs. 1,59,407 in the years 1915-16. Employment was also provided for able-bodied persons seeking relief on test works, such as the excavation or re-excavation of tanks and *khaals* and the construction of roads, which were opened by the District Board. These works were largely attended in spite of a strong local prejudice against earth-work. All the works are reported to be of public utility. The eradication of water-hyacinth also provided some work when earth-work became impossible. The expenditure on test works amounted to Rs. 83,992 against Rs. 1,57,516 in the years 1915-16: this has been met by the District Board.

The Brahmanbaria Central Bank also advanced Rs. 1,25,959 to its affiliated societies during the period from October 1918 to October 1919, thus relieving 3,175 persons.

4. The average monthly percentage of persons relieved to the total population of the affected area from February to October 1919 was 1.7. The workers were paid in small gangs by piece work at rates varying from Rs. 3 to Rs. 8 per 1,000 cubic feet; these rates are reported to be generally lower than the rates allowed by the District Board. The price of common rice ruled high throughout the year; but it was the highest in the months of July, August and September, when the price of local rice at Brahmanbaria was approximately 5, 4 and $4\frac{1}{2}$ seers per rupee, compared with 6 $\frac{1}{2}$, 6 and 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ seers per rupee in the corresponding months of 1915. There was an increase in the number of petty thefts and burglaries; but strong preventive measures checked the occurrence of violent crime. There was a decrease in the number of suits of all kinds except money suits, which increased slightly. The number of mortgages increased considerably over those of the previous year, whilst the sales of land showed only a slight increase on the whole. The distress had also a deterrent effect on general education in the affected areas: the number of pupils and the amounts of subscriptions and fees decreased. There were no deaths from starvation, but the distress affected the public health as indicated by a fall in the birth-rate and an increase in deaths as compared with the figures of 1918.

5. The Hon'ble Mr. J. G. Cumming, Member-in-charge, visited the affected areas in March and July 1919: during his visits he examined the measures and organisation of relief with the local officers. The Governor in Council is satisfied that the measures taken for the relief of distress were successful and were conducted with economy. His Excellency in Council appreciates the services rendered by Mr. De, the Divisional Commissioner, Messrs. Wares, Spry and Rai Ramani Mohan Das Bahadur, who carried on the relief operations as Collectors, Babu, Hasanta Kumar Das, the subdivisional officer, the two circle officers, Babu Sharat Kumar Guha and Babu Upendra Chandra Narayan Chaudhuri, who were in immediate executive charge of the relief operations, and by Mr. M. M. Halliday, manager, Sarail wards' estate. His thanks are also due to the subdivisional officer for his lucid and interesting report. The services of these officers will be brought to the notice of the Appointment Department. The Governor in Council notices with pleasure the assistance given by non-official agencies and associations and by non-official gentlemen to whom his thanks are also due. The services of the latter have already been recognised by the local officers through the grant of certificates and rewards.

By order of the Governor in Council,

M. C. McALPIN,

Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 977 Edn.—The 27th April 1920.—The following report of the Bruce Institution for the year 1919 is published for general information.

L. S. S. O'MALLEY,

Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

REPORT ON THE BRUCE INSTITUTION FOR THE YEAR 1919.

I. **Control.**—(1) During the year under review, the Rev. Father T. Van der Schueren, S.J., and the Rev. G. Henderson, whose terms of office had expired, were re-appointed to be Governors.

(2) The following new Governors were appointed:—

The Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. Walmsley, I.C.S., *vice* the Hon'ble Mr. Justice T. W. Richardson, I.C.S., resigned.

The Ven. W. K. Firminger (Archdeacon of Calcutta), *vice* the Rev. C. W. Stokoe, resigned.

Maurice Remfry, Esq., *vice* F. J. Robins, Esq., resigned.

(3) The Hon'ble Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., who was placed on special duty by Government, returned in September, relieving Mr. T. O. D. Dunn as Honorary Secretary.

(4) The following were the Governors at the end of the year:—

The Hon'ble the Chief Justice of Bengal	...	} <i>Ex officio.</i>
The Most Rev. the Lord Bishop of Calcutta	...	
The Surgeon-General with the Government of Bengal	...	
The Chairman of the Calcutta Municipality	...	
The Director of Public Instruction (Hony. Secy.)	...	
The Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. Walmsley, I.C.S.		
The Ven. W. K. Firminger (Archdeacon of Calcutta).		
The Rev. Father T. Van der Schueren, S.J.		
The Rev. J. Henderson.		
James Wyness, Esq.		
A Mercer, Esq. (Inspector of European Schools).		
Maurice Remfry, Esq.		

II. **Capital and Income.**—The capital of the Institution stood, as in the previous year, at Rs. 10,59,400, of which Rs. 10,46,200 are in the form of a 3½ per cent. stock certificate of year 1865. The balance, viz., Rs. 13,200, is in Government securities. The annual interest on the capital amounts to Rs. 37,079, which is kept in the Bank of Bengal. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 28,311-11-5 and closed with a balance of Rs. 30,180-0-9.

III. **Election to Vacancies, &c.**—(1) The Governors having found it necessary, for financial reasons to reduce the number of wards, there was no election during the year.

(2) Of the 18 girls who left during the year, 14 had attained the age of 17 years, the limit ordinarily allowed under the rules, and 4 were withdrawn for various reasons before they had attained that age.

(3) Of the girls who were withdrawn during the preceding year, and in respect of whom reports have been received during the year under review; one was working as a steno-typist, one as a typist and one was learning shorthand and typewriting. Another is teaching Latin in the lower classes in the school where she was educated, and one is employed as a child's nurse. Two girls have married.

(4) At the close of the year, there were 79 girls on the fund against 97 in the previous year. They were distributed as follows:—

Loreto Convent, Entally	...	{ Boarding School—11 } Orphanage — 8	...	19
Calcutta Girls' High School	...	...	...	21
Pratt Memorial School	...	...	...	10
La Martinière for Girls	...	...	...	6
Calcutta Free School	...	...	...	3
St. Paul's Mission Home	...	...	...	2
St. Agnes' School, Howrah	...	...	...	1
St. Vincent's Home, Kidderpore	...	...	...	1
Loreto Convent, Asansol	...	...	...	11
St. Andrew's Colonial Homes, Kalimpong	...	...	...	1
Protestant European School, Cuttack	...	...	...	1
The Good Shepherd Training School, Bangalore	...	...	...	1
Wynberg School, Mussoorie	...	...	...	1
Temporarily at Home	...	...	...	1
Total				79

(5) The following table affords particulars as to the class and denomination of the foundationers at the close of the year:—

Class.	Roman Catholics.	Church of England.	Non-Communitists.	Total.
1. Orphans, or deserted by their parents	8	5	7	20
2. Fatherless or motherless, or deserted by their fathers or mothers	24	14	11	49
3. Those who have both parents alive	3	5	2	10
Total	35	24	20	79

(6) The health of the wards was on the whole satisfactory. One girl who was ailing was sent temporarily under medical advice to Pine Mount School, Shillong. Another girl who was subject to epileptic fits was placed in St. Vincent's Home, Kidderpore.

IV.—**Education and Maintenance.**—(1) The nature of the education given to girls on the fund was generally that prescribed for Elementary and Higher Elementary Schools under the Code of Regulations for European Schools in Bengal, and in a few cases, that for secondary schools.

(2) The Governors are anxious that their wards should not be allowed to drift until they leave school, and they have accordingly asked the school authorities and the Visiting-Governor to let them know with reference to each girl who attains the age of 15, what her capacities and prospects are, and to advise them in the light of these, how the last two years or so of their school-life should be spent to the best advantage. They have also prepared and distributed to schools a pamphlet showing what appointments are open to Anglo-Indian girls.

(3) Three girls were sent up for the Cambridge Local Examinations held in December 1918, of whom one passed the Junior Cambridge. Four girls were presented for the Elementary School Certificate Examination, of whom three passed. One girl was presented for the Supplementary School Examination but failed. Several girls appeared at the Cambridge Local Examinations held in December 1919; the results are not yet known.

(4) Under the rules, a girl is not ordinarily allowed to remain on the fund after she has attained the age of 17 years, when an outfit grant of Rs. 100 is generally given, on application, to enable her to make a start in life. In cases where a girl wishes to be trained as a teacher, or where some other special training is recommended, or they are preparing for

higher examinations, some extension of the period of benefit is generally allowed. One girl was granted an extension to enable her to undergo training as a teacher, and two girls were granted short extensions of few months to enable them to finish their course in shorthand and type writing.

(5) The monthly average cost for the education and maintenance of each girl on the fund amounted to Rs. 27-12-8 against Rs. 19-3-4 in the preceding year. The increase is due to the rate in Elementary Schools being raised from the beginning of the year, from Rs. 16 to Rs. 25, and in secondary schools from Rs. 21-8 to Rs. 35 per ward.

(6) The amounts paid under the different heads of expenditure were as noted below:—

	1919.			1918.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Education and maintenance ...	32,245	8	0	26,738	3	0
Office establishment ...	891	12	0	864	0	0
Contingencies ...	82	5	0	65	9	0
Advertisement and printing ...	285	5	0	45	12	0
Cost of outfits ...	1,382	3	0	560	0	0
Other charges ...	232	3	0	127	15	0
Total ...	35,119	4	0	28,401	7	0

V. Inspection.—Mr. W. C. Wordsworth was appointed Visiting-Governor for the first half, and Mr. Maurice Remfry the second half, of the year.

Mr. Wordsworth reported that he had visited almost all the schools and interviewed all the Bruce wards with the exception of some half dozen. Also that he had seen them at work and at play, and generally had been kept in touch with their condition by the principals of the schools concerned. His general impression was that the wards were well looked after, and compare not unfavourably with their class-fellows. It was evident to him that a number of them were girls of distinct promise, both intellectually and morally, and that they were being given every opportunity by the authorities of their schools. Mr. Remfry reported that he had visited all the schools in Calcutta in which Bruce wards had been placed, and that (with the exception of a few who were absent when he called) he personally interviewed all the wards, no school-mistress or teacher being present. The general health of the wards seemed to him to be above the average of the class from which the girls were drawn, and that generally speaking the girls were bright and apparently happy, and, so far as he could gather, the fact, that they were Bruce wards, made no difference in their treatment by the school-authorities. He found that, in one institution, they had no form of physical training; the matter has been referred to the Inspector of European Schools. Mr. Remfry stated that from the school-reports it appeared that some of the wards had defective eye sight. The school authorities have been asked to have the eye sight of all Bruce wards tested, and where necessary, glasses supplied at the expense of the fund.

VI. Meetings.—Three meetings were held during the year, and among the various resolutions passed the following may be recorded:—

“That any question of importance arising, which requires immediate attention be circulated to the Governors for their opinion, and that the Honorary Secretary should act in accordance with the opinions expressed thereon, and bring up the matter at the next meeting for confirmation.”

CALCUTTA,
The 12th March 1920.

W. W. HORNELL,
Honorary Secretary to the Governors.

DISTRICT REPORTS ON WEATHER AND CROPS.

For the week ending on the 29th April 1920.

Summary.—During the week the rainfall was generally light in West Bengal and moderate elsewhere. More rain is needed in some West Bengal districts. Sowing of jute and paddy is progressing satisfactorily; the operation is well advanced in Eastern Bengal. The average price of common rice for the province has risen by about 1·07 per cent. as compared with that of the previous week.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN SEER, PER MURRI.		Description of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	24-PARGANAS	Inches. Nil	5½	5½	Lands are being prepared for the <i>aus</i> paddy and jute crops. There has been slow progress in ploughing for want of rain. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Basirhat thana.
	Diamond Harbour.	(n)	(n)	(n)	
	Barrackpore	(n)	(n)	5½	
	Barasat ...	1·00	5½	5½	
	Basirhat ...	Nil	5½	5½	
2	NADIA ...	0·36	5½	5½	Lands are being prepared for <i>bhadoi</i> paddy. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Damurhuda and Chuadanga.
	Kushtia ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Meherpur ...	0·80	5½	5½	
	Chuadanga...	0·23	5½	(n)	
	Ranaghat ...	0·40	5½	5½	
3	MURSHIDABAD	Nil	5½	5½	Weather hot. Prospects of standing crops are favourable but more rain is wanted for their growth. Cattle-pox is reported from Bharatpur thana in Kandi subdivision. Fodder is sufficient. There is no large import of rice. Export continues.
	Lalbagh ...	0·82	5½	5½	
	Jangipur ...	0·63	6½	6½	
	Kandi ...	Nil	6½	6½	
4	JESSORE ...	0·52	6 6°	6 6°	Sowing of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy is going on. More rain is wanted. Fodder is sufficient. Import or export as usual.
	Jhenidah ...	0·62	6	6	
	Magura ...	0·64	5	5	
	Narail ...	0·20	5½	5½	
	Bangaon ...	0·20	5½	6½	
5	KHULNA ...	0·02	5½	5½	Cultivation of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute is in progress. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Paikgacha thana.
	Matkhira ...	Nil	6	5½	
	Bagerhat ...	0·49	6 7°	6 7°	

* Burma rice.

(n) Not reported.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall. Inches.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN SEER, PER RUPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
6	BURDWAN ...	0.06	5½	5½	Weather very hot. Ploughing of lands for jute and <i>aus</i> paddy continues. Planting of sugarcane is in progress.
	Asansol ...	0.38	6½	6½	
	Katwa ...	0.54	5½	5½	
	Kalna ...	0.48	4½	5	
7	BIRBHUM ...	0.17	6½	7	Standing crops are doing well. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Suri.
	Rampurhat ...	Nil	6½	6½	
8	BANKURA ...	Nil	6½	6½	Manuring of fields continues. No large export or import of rice or paddy.
	Vishnupur ...	Nil	6	6½	
9	MIDNAPORE ...	0.05	5½	6	Sowing of autumn rice continues. Prospects of late cotton, tobacco and <i>rabi til</i> are fair. Harvesting of summer rice is finished. Fodder is sufficient.
	Ghatal ...	0.26	5½	5½	
	Tamluk ...	0.26	4½	4½	
	Contai ...	Nil	6	5½	
10	HOOGHLY ...	0.94	5	5	Effects of weather on the growth of the crops are unfavourable. More rain is needed. Fodder insufficient. Price of rice is rising at Arambagh.
	Serampore ...	0.33	5	4	
	Arambagh ...	0.17	5½	6½	
11	HOWRAH ...	Nil	5½	5½	Weather hot. Preparation of lands for jute and paddy continues. Condition of newly planted sugarcane is good. Fodder is sufficient.
	Ulubaria ...	0.12	5½	5½	
12	RAJSHÁHI (RAMPUR- BOALIA).	Nil	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are favourable. Sowing of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy continues. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Bagatipara thana.
	Nadgaon ...	1.07	6½	6½	
	Nator ...	0.49	6	6½	
13	DINAJPUR ...	1.02	6½	6½	Sowing of jute and <i>bhadol</i> paddy has commenced.
	Thakurgaon ...	0.45	6½	6½	
	Balurghat ...	1.45	6½	6½	
14	JALPAIGURI ...	0.98	6½	6½	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Sowing of jute and <i>bhadol</i> paddy is in progress. Fodder and water are sufficient. Export of rice and paddy continues.
	Alipur ...	0.48	6	6	

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN SEER, PER RUPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
15	DARJEELING	0.24	5½	5½	Wheat and barley are being harvested. Potatoes and maize are progressing well. Tea leaves are being plucked. Stocks of rice, fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is prevalent at places.
	Kurseong ...	0.20	5½	(a)	
	Siliguri ...	0.17	6	6½	
	Kallimpong...	0.16	5½	5½	
16	RANGPUR ...	3.18	6	6	Sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute is still going on. Weeding is in progress. Condition of crops is good but recent hail-storm has done slight damage. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Dimla and Jaldhaka thanas.
	Nilphamari	1.28	5½	5½	
	Kurigram ...	2.26	5½	5½	
	Gaibandha...	2.08	5½	5½	
17	BOGRA ...	0.83	6	6	Recent rain did good to standing crops. Sowing of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy still continues. Prospects of standing crops are fair.
18	PABNA ...	0.48	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder is sufficient.
	Sirajganj ...	1.50	5	5	
19	MALDA ...	0.11	6½	6½	Sowing of <i>bhadoi</i> paddy and jute is delayed for want of rain. Prospects of <i>boro</i> paddy are good. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Habibpur thana.
20	COOCH BEHAR	1.46	6½	6½	Weather hot and cloudy. Sowing of <i>bitri</i> paddy and jute continues. Cutting of tobacco leaves is almost finished. Fodder and water are sufficient.
21	DACCA ...	0.71	5	5	Weather hot and stormy and is favourable to agricultural operations. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Sowing of jute is almost over and that of paddy is going on. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> paddy has commenced. Price of rice is stationary. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Manikganj...	0.60	5½	5½	
	Narayanganj	1.23	5½	5½	
	Manshiganj (a)	1.23	5	5½	
22	MYMENSINGH	2.92	5½	5½	Weather hot with occasional showers. Weeding of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy is going on. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> paddy continues. Recent rain has retarded agricultural operations in some parts of Netrakona subdivision. Water and fodder are sufficient.
	Jamulpur ...	2.99	5½	5½	
	Tangail ...	2.03	5½	5½	
	Netrakona ...	2.99	5½	5½	
	Kishorganj...	2.25	5½	5½	

(a) Not reported.

(a) Manshiganj being very near to Dacca and Narayanganj, its rainfall statistics are not quoted. To give information regarding the northern part of the district, rainfall figures for Kaspasia thana are reported here.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN SEERS, PER RUPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
23	FARIDPUR ...	1.64	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 5\frac{1}{2} \\ 5\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right.$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 5\frac{1}{2} \\ 6\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right.$	Sowing of jute and paddy still continues. Prospects of standing crops are hopeful. Fodder is sufficient.
	Goulundo ...	0.92	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 3\frac{3}{4} \\ 6\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right.$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (n) \\ (n) \end{array} \right.$	
	Madaripur ...	1.77	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 5 \\ 5\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right.$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (n) \\ (n) \end{array} \right.$	
	Gopalganj (a)	0.18	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 5 \\ 6\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right.$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 5 \\ 6\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right.$	
24	BARANGANJ (BARISAL).	0.72	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from certain villages in Patuakhali.
	Pirojpur ...	0.45	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
	Patuakhali ...	0.70	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
	Dakshin Shabazpur (Bhola).	(n)	(n)	5	
25	CHITTAGONG	1.50	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 5\frac{1}{2} \\ 5\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \right.$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 5\frac{1}{2} \\ 5 \end{array} \right.$	Cultivation of early <i>aus</i> crop is in progress. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder is sufficient. <i>Panga</i> salt is selling at 11 and 8 seers per rupee at Sadar and Cox's Bazar, respectively.
	Cox's Bazar	0.48	5	5	
26	TIPPERA (COMILLA).	1.35	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	Weather hot and cloudy. Ploughing and sowing are in full swing; weeding of jute is going on. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from Brahmanbaria subdivision.
	Brahmanbaria.	0.95	5	5	
	Chandpur ...	1.24	5	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
27	NOAKHALI	0.95	5	5	Weather cloudy. Sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy is in full swing. Standing jute crop is thriving well. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Chhagalnaya and Pashuram.
	Feni ...	0.85	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
28	CHITTAGONG HILL TRACTS.	1.47	5	5	Weather very hot. Prospects of standing crops are fair. <i>Jhum</i> -burning continues. Fodder is sufficient.

(a) The rainfall at Haridaspur, which is very near to Gopalganj, is shown here.

* Burma rice.

† Local rice.

(n) Not reported.

J. C. ROY,

for Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

DACCA, the 2nd May 1920.

List of prices of articles of food at Calcutta during the week ending Saturday, the 1st May 1920.

Names of articles.	WHOLESALE PRICE, PER MAUND		RETAIL PRICE PER MAUND	
	From—	To—	From—	To—
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Rice—				
Balam, coarse	7 4 0	7 12 0	0 3 3	0 3 6
" medium	8 4 0	9 0 0	0 3 9	0 4 0
Patnai, coarse	7 8 0	8 2 0	0 3 3	0 3 6
" medium	8 3 0	8 6 0	0 3 9	0 4 0
Nagra, coarse	7 12 0	8 2 0	0 3 3	0 3 6
" medium	8 3 0	8 8 0	0 3 9	0 4 0
Dudhkaima	8 5 0	8 10 0	0 3 6	...
Rangoon Boiled	...	...	0 3 1	...
Kajla	6 14 0	7 0 0	0 3 0	...
Wheat, Dudhia	6 11 0	...	...	...
" Ganajali	...	...	...	...
" Jamali	6 6 0	...	...	...
Gram, Patnai (whole)	6 6 0	7 0 0	0 3 0	...
" dal	8 8 0	9 0 0	0 3 6	0 4 0
Mung " (Hari)	7 0 0	7 8 0	0 6 0	0 8 0
" " (Krishna)	7 12 0	8 0 0	0 5 0	...
Arhar " "	10 0 0	11 0 0	0 4 0	0 5 0
Masur " (split)	6 4 0	6 8 0	0 2 9	0 4 6
" " (Khanri)	9 12 0	10 0 0	0 4 0	0 5 0
Kalai " "	7 12 0	8 0 0	0 3 0	0 3 6
Salt (Liverpool)	2 15 0	3 0 0	0 1 6	0 1 9
Sugar (Brown Java)	24 0 0	28 0 0	0 11 0	0 13 0
Gur, Bheli	...	...	0 3 6	...
" Bhursut	10 8 0	...	0 6 0	...
" Date	...	...	...	...
Milk	8 0 0	12 0 0	0 4 0	0 5 0
Mustard oil	24 0 0	28 0 0	0 10 0	0 12 0
Flour (country)	8 0 0	8 4 0	0 4 0	...
Atta, No. 3	5 12 0	...	...	...
" " 2½	6 0 0	...	0 3 0	0 4 0
" " B	9 10 0	...	...	...
Suji	9 4 0	10 0 0	0 4 0	0 5 0
Ghee (Bhadwa, Matki, etc.)	...	Not in stock	...	...
" (Patiram, Khurja, Ruto, Etwa, better kind, etc.)	95 0 0	98 0 0	2 10 0	...
" (Lalli, Etwa, Sagar, etc.)	94 0 0	95 0 0	2 8 0	...
Maize	2 12 0	4 0 0	...	...
Potatoes	3 8 0	4 8 0	0 1 6	0 2 0
Patal	5 0 0	5 8 0	0 3 0	0 4 0
Brinjal	1 8 0	2 8 0	0 1 6	0 2 0
Onion	2 8 0	4 0 0	0 1 6	0 2 0
Fish, Rahu	32 0 0	40 0 0	0 14 0	1 0 0
Mutton (2nd class)	...	...	0 10 0	...
Beef (2nd and 3rd classes)	...	...	0 3 0	0 5 0

N.B.—This is an abstract of prices at the following markets:—

Wholesale.—Chetla Hât, Ramkrishnapur Hât, Sealdah Fish and Milk Market, Portâ Bazar.

Retail.—Sir Stuart Hogg Market, Orphananj Market, Sova Bazar, Nutun Bazar, Raja Babu's Bazar, Bow Bazar, Jugu Babu's Bazar, Taltolia Bazar.

S. C. GHOSH,

for President, Advisory Food Committee.

CALCUTTA, the 1st May 1920.

IRRIGATION DEPART

Statement showing heights over mean sea-level and low water in the March 1920, and the highest reading of each gauge over

RIVER GAUGES.												
Date.	Mirzapore. Zero of gauge 206'22 ft.			Benares. Zero of gauge 166'39 ft.		Buxar. Zero of gauge 167'56 ft.		Dinapore. Zero of gauge 154'59 ft.		Monghyr. Zero of gauge 161'68 ft. (d)		
	Distance in miles.	From Allahabad, 86.	From Allahabad, 124.	From Mirzapore, 46.	From Benares, 90.	From Benares, 177.	From Benares, 237.	From Benares, 110.	From Benares, 237.	From Benares, 110.	From Benares, 110.	
Highest gauge reading.	2nd September 1916. 249'27.	2nd September 1916. 244'20.	3rd and 4th September 1916. 202'30.	5th September 1901. 169'78.	5th September 1901. 159'60.							
Lowest gauge reading.	26th June 1897. 187'38.	1st May 1877. 182'20.	16th to 14th May 1914. 160'80.	26th April 1913. 135'13.	19th April to 6th May 1914. 96'00.							
	Height over zero of gauge.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over zero of gauge.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over zero of gauge.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over zero of gauge.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over zero of gauge.	Height over mean sea-level.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
1st	5'50	211'72	0'08	196'88	3'58	171'13	6'50	140'78	2'03	99'80
2nd	5'50	211'72	0'08	196'88	3'50	171'05	6'50	140'78	2'13	99'70
3rd	5'50	211'72	0'00	196'80	3'50	171'05	6'50	140'88	2'13	99'70
4th	5'50	211'72	0'08	196'72	3'50	171'05	6'50	140'78	2'13	99'70
5th	5'46	211'68	0'08	196'72	3'42	170'97	6'50	140'78	2'13	99'70
6th	5'46	211'68	0'08	196'72	3'42	170'97	6'50	140'78	2'13	99'70
7th	5'42	211'64	0'17	196'63	3'42	170'97	6'50	140'78	2'13	99'70
8th	5'42	211'64	0'17	196'63	3'38	170'88	6'50	140'78	2'13	99'70
9th	5'37	211'59	0'25	196'55	3'33	170'88	6'50	140'78	2'13	99'70
10th	5'37	211'59	0'25	196'55	3'33	170'88	6'50	140'78	2'13	99'60
11th	5'37	211'59	0'25	196'55	3'33	170'88	6'50	140'78	2'13	99'60
12th	5'37	211'59	0'25	196'55	3'25	170'80	6'50	140'53	2'33	99'50
13th	5'33	211'55	0'42	196'38	3'26	170'80	6'50	139'68	2'33	99'50
14th	5'33	211'55	0'42	196'38	3'08	170'63	6'10	140'33	2'33	99'50
15th	5'33	211'55	0'50	196'30	3'08	170'63	6'10	140'33	2'33	99'50
16th	5'29	211'51	0'58	196'22	3'08	170'63	6'10	140'33	2'33	99'50
17th	5'25	211'47	0'50	196'30	3'00	170'55	6'30	140'53	2'33	99'50
18th	5'25	211'47	0'50	196'30	3'00	170'55	6'40	140'63	2'33	99'50
19th	5'25	211'47	0'50	196'30	3'00	170'55	6'30	140'53	2'43	99'40
20th	5'25	211'47	0'58	196'22	3'00	170'65	6'30	140'53	2'43	99'40
21st	5'25	211'47	0'58	196'22	3'00	170'55	5'20	140'43	2'43	99'40
22nd	5'21	211'43	0'67	196'13	2'92	170'47	5'80	140'03	2'43	99'40
23rd	5'21	211'43	0'67	196'13	2'92	170'47	6'10	140'33	2'43	99'40
24th	5'21	211'43	0'67	196'13	2'92	170'47	6'00	140'23	2'43	99'40
25th	5'17	211'39	0'67	196'13	2'82	170'47	6'10	140'33	2'43	99'40
26th	5'17	211'39	0'75	196'05	2'92	170'47	6'00	140'23	2'43	99'40
27th	5'17	211'39	0'75	196'05	2'83	170'38	6'00	140'23	2'43	99'40
28th	5'17	211'39	0'75	196'05	2'83	170'38	6'00	140'23	2'53	99'30
29th	5'17	211'39	0'75	196'05	2'83	170'38	6'00	140'23	2'53	99'30
30th	5'17	211'39	0'75	196'05	2'75	170'30	6'00	140'23	2'43	99'40
31st	5'17	211'39	0'75	196'05	2'75	170'30	5'30	140'13	2'43	99'40

* New gauge fixed at Rajmahal from 1st June 1910 in place of the gauge at Sahabganj. The zero of gauge at Rajmahal again 66'46 ft. above M.S.L. from 10th February 1916 to 16th June 1918. From the 16th June 1918 to 6th April 1919 it is 66'81 ft. above M.S.L.

† To compare the reduced levels shown in these monthly printed statements before and after the 1st June 1908, 3'78 ft. (October 1909).

(a) A new gauge fixed at Monghyr on 16th July 1914.

(b) From the 1st November 1915 the zero of gauge was 2'43 ft. above M.S.L. Previous to that the zero was at M.S.L. zero is 1'609 ft. above M.S.L.

(c) From the 26th January 1916 to 4th April 1918 the zero of gauge at Berhampore was 30'99 ft. above M.S.L. From the 26th October 1918 a temporary wooden gauge with its zero at 49'00 ft. above M.S.L. was erected at 3rd June 1919. From 4th June 1919 the zero is 1'51 ft. above M.S.L.

(d) Gauge shifted from Sahib Goolando to Fakirabad from 30th June 1918.

The 30th April 1920.

MENT, BENGAL.

rivers Ganges, Bhagirathi, Jalangi and Brahmaputra for the month of M.S.L. as well as the lowest gauge-reading since 1876.

						RIVER BHAGI- RATHI.		RIVER JALANGI.		RIVER BRAHMA- PUTRA.	
Rajmahal. Zero of gauge 54'21'9".		Rampur-Boalia. Zero of gauge 1'31 ft. (2).		Goshunda. (r) Zero of gauge 4'49'6 ft.		Berhampore. Zero of gauge 37'49'6 (s)		Barupanj. (s) Zero of gauge 1'80'9 ft.		Gadabati. Zero of gauge 12'1'11 ft.	
From Benares 497.	From Mouglhyr 498	From Benares 471.	From Rajmahal 54.	From Benares 491.	From Rampur- Boalia 130.						
16th August 1913. 56'45.		20th August 1913. 56'25.		15th August 1906 and 14th Septem- ber 1913. 35'75.7		14th August 1906. 54'70.		24th September 1906. 24'25.		24th August 1904. 30'11.	
2nd May 1911. 51'29.		22nd April 1909. 57'43.		19th March 1910. 1'25		19th to 24th April 1911. 32'40.		18th March 1916. 5'25.		24th February 1904. 14'45.	
Height over zero of gauge.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over zero of gauge.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over zero of gauge.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over zero of gauge.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over zero of gauge.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over zero of gauge.	Height over mean sea-level.
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
3'00	59'319	35'44	36'95	5'60	10'496	1'40	33'899	2'81	4'919	Below zero	
3'00	59'319	35'39	36'90	5'60	10'496	1'40	33'899	2'98	4'489	1'30	133'98
2'95	59'269	35'44	36'95	5'90	10'796	1'40	33'899	3'44	4'949	1'20	133'96
										1'10	134'09
2'90	59'219	35'39	36'90	6'20	11'096	1'40	33'899	4'08	5'589	1'00	134'18
2'90	59'219	35'29	36'80	6'30	11'196	1'40	33'899	4'27	5'779	0'80	134'36
										Above zero	
2'85	59'169	35'39	36'90	6'60	11'496	1'40	33'899	4'27	5'879	1'70	136'88
2'80	59'119	35'49	37'00	6'50	11'396	1'40	33'899	3'61	5'119	2'30	137'48
2'80	59'119	35'39	36'90	6'30	11'196	1'40	33'899	3'53	5'039	3'10	138'28
2'80	59'119	35'44	36'95	6'50	11'396	1'45	33'949	3'74	5'249	4'10	139'28
2'90	59'219	35'44	36'95	6'80	11'696	1'45	33'949	3'82	5'329	5'50	140'68
2'90	59'219	35'39	36'90	6'60	11'496	1'45	33'949	3'84	5'149	6'20	141'38
2'90	59'219	35'29	36'80	7'00	11'896	1'45	33'949	3'46	4'969	5'90	141'08
2'85	59'169	35'19	36'70	7'10	11'996	1'45	33'949	4'08	5'689	5'40	140'58
2'75	59'069	35'14	36'65	7'30	12'196	1'45	33'949	3'89	5'399	5'80	140'98
2'75	59'069	35'14	36'65	7'60	12'496	1'45	33'949	3'36	4'869	6'30	142'08
2'70	59'019	35'14	36'65	7'40	12'296	1'40	33'899	3'18	4'699	7'70	142'88
2'70	59'019	35'11	36'63	7'50	12'396	1'40	33'899	2'94	4'449	7'20	142'38
2'60	58'919	35'09	36'60	7'70	12'596	1'40	33'899	2'97	4'479	6'10	141'28
2'60	58'919	35'09	36'60	8'00	12'896	1'40	33'899	3'04	4'549	5'40	140'58
2'60	58'919	35'04	36'55	8'30	13'196	1'40	33'899	3'27	4'779	5'00	140'18
2'55	58'869	34'99	36'50	8'60	13'496	1'40	33'899	3'46	4'969	6'70	141'88
2'50	58'819	34'99	36'50	8'80	13'696	1'40	33'899	3'54	5'049	6'40	141'58
2'50	58'819	34'94	36'45	8'70	13'596	1'40	33'899	3'77	5'279	6'40	141'68
2'45	58'769	34'89	36'40	8'70	13'596	1'40	33'899	3'67	5'179	5'50	140'68
2'40	58'719	34'89	36'40	9'00	13'896	1'40	33'899	3'57	5'079	4'90	140'08
2'40	58'719	34'84	36'35	9'00	13'896	1'40	33'899	3'21	4'719	4'40	139'58
2'40	58'719	34'79	36'30	8'90	13'796	1'40	33'899	3'09	4'599	4'70	139'68
2'35	58'669	34'79	36'30	8'90	13'796	1'40	33'899	3'17	4'679	5'10	140'28
2'30	58'619	34'79	36'30	8'40	13'296	1'40	33'899	2'80	4'309	4'60	139'78
2'20	58'519	34'74	36'25	8'00	12'896	1'40	33'899	2'84	4'349	4'30	139'48
2'30	58'619	34'74	36'25	8'00	12'896	1'35	33'849	2'79	4'299	4'10	139'28

was 56'48 ft. above M.S.-L. up to 26th October 1915 and 60'00 ft. above M.R.-L. from 27th October 1915. The zero was 54'81 ft. above M.S.-L. from 7th to 15th April 1919 it was 54'72 ft. above M.R.-L. and from 16th should be deducted from the former or added to the latter (vide Bengal Government letter No. 1063T.I., dated the 13th

dating back 15th July 1897. Zero was at M.S.-L. from 1st April 1918 to 15th April 1919. Again from 16th April 1919 the

5th April 1919 the zero is 52'499 ft. above M.S.-L. Rampur-Boalia is place of the permanent gauge washed away. The zero of gauge was at M.S.-L. from 25th June 1918, till

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Under-Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL, IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT.

Approximate return of traffic on the Circular and Eastern Canals for the week ending Saturday, the 24th April 1920, as compared with the corresponding week of the previous year.

Nature of Cargo.	WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 24TH APRIL 1920.			WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 26TH APRIL 1919.		
	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.
		Mds.	Rs.		Mds.	Rs.
Rice and paddy ...	329	58,145	946	310	81,137	1,187
Jute ...	46	24,483*	231	35	30,781†	285
Firewood ...	53	30,325	457	51	16,225	223
Other articles ...	696	203,120	2,338	565	169,772	2,142
Total ...	1,124	316,073	3,974	961	297,915	3,837
Empty boats and rafts ...	503	...	2,558	868	...	1,607
GRAND TOTAL	1,627	316,073	6,532	1,849	297,915	5,444

* Weight by canal measurement ... Mds. 37,837
 † Ditto ditto ... Mds. 29,459

CALCUTTA,
 The 3rd May 1920.

G. J. ST. C. SEDGLEY,
 Under-Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL, IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT.

Approximate return of traffic on the Circular and Eastern Canals for the week ending Saturday, the 1st May 1920, as compared with the corresponding week of the previous year.

Nature of cargo.	WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 1ST MAY 1920.			WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 3RD MAY 1919.		
	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.
		Mds.	Rs.		Mds.	Rs.
Rice and paddy ...	244	55,605	894	397	107,700	1,571
Jute ...	43	28,162*	261	13	5,451†	63
Firewood ...	32	15,925	235	79	39,625	587
Other articles ...	574	177,175	1,989	611	177,961	2,199
Total ...	893	276,867	3,379	1,100	330,737	4,420
Empty boats and rafts ...	546	...	1,711	501	...	1,963
GRAND TOTAL	1,239	276,867	5,090	1,601	330,737	6,383

* Weight by canal measurement ... Mds. 33,750
 † Ditto ditto ... Mds. 6,537

CALCUTTA,
 The 4th May 1920.

G. J. ST. C. SEDGLEY,
 Under-Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the rivers Ganges and Brahmaputra at Goalundo for the week ending 1st May 1920.

Month and date.	Hour.	Height of surface above or below zero of gauge.	Height of surface above mean sea-level.	Height of surface above mean sea-level on same date last year.	Remarks.
1920.					
25th April	7 A.M.	8.8	8.8	8.6	Zero is placed at mean sea-level. The bench mark for the gauge is on a pucca pillar between the passenger ghât and Chandpur ghât. Its reduced level is 26.84.
26th "	7 "	8.8	8.8	8.8	
27th "	7 "	8.6	8.6	9.0	
28th "	7 "	8.9	8.9	9.3	
29th "	7 "	9.2	9.2	9.4	
30th "	7 "	9.7	9.7	9.6	
1st May	7 "	10.0	10.0	10.3	

The previous year	...	Highest water-level	...	24.7 on 15th September 1919.
Ditto	...	Lowest "	...	6.1 on 24th February 1919.
Record (H. F. in Brahmaputra and Ganges)	...	Highest "	...	25.75 on 28th August 1906.
Record (average flood in Brahmaputra and Ganges)	...	Ditto "	...	26.74 on 20th and 21st August 1903.
Record (H. F. in Brahmaputra and Ganges)	...	Ditto "	...	25.64 on 11th to 17th and 21st August 1880 and on 1st to 3rd September 1880.
Record (H. F. in Brahmaputra only)	...	Ditto "	...	24.66 on 31st July 1900.
Do.	...	Lowest "	...	1.0 on 8th February 1914.
Do.	...	Ditto "	...	2.42 on 13th March 1908.
Do.	...	Ditto "	...	2.91 on 21st to 24th February 1884 and 3th to 9th March 1884.
Do.	...	Ditto "	...	8.16 on 9th to 11th March 1885.
Do.	...	Ditto "	...	3.16 on 14th, 17th and 29th to 31st March 1901.

N.B.—The gauge-reading commenced from 3rd October 1903.

FARIDPUR,
The 2nd May 1920.

R. K. GHOSE,
for Subdivisional Officer, P. W. D., Faridpur.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the river Ganges at Rampur-Boalia for the week ending the 1st May 1920.

Date.	Hour.	Height of surface above or below zero—minus sign for those below zero.	Height of surface above mean sea-level according to P. W. D. datum.	Height of surface above mean sea-level on the same date last year according to P. W. D. datum.	Remarks.
1920.					
25th April	8 A.M.	Zero of gauge is at mean sea level.	35.35	35.21	P. W. D. datum 6.25 feet above Kidderpur old dock sill. U. M. on College step 64.98.
26th "	8 "		35.58	35.21	
27th "	8 "		35.80	35.16	
28th "	8 "		35.80	35.16	
29th "	8 "		35.85	35.11	
30th "	8 "		35.95	35.11	
1st May	8 "		36.00	35.11	

		Old value.	According to P. W. D. datum.
The previous year	Highest water level	61.29 on 18th September 1919	62.80
Ditto	Lowest "	33.51 on 8th May 1914	35.01
Record	Highest "	69.75 on 28th August 1879	64.44
Do.	Ditto "	68.08 on 9th September 1885	64.27
Do.	Ditto "	67.80 on 26th August 1903	63.47
Do.	Ditto "	69.21 on 26th August 1890	63.40
Do.	Lowest "	37.88 on 25th April 1884	32.62
Do.	Ditto "	38.13 on 14th-15th April 1883	32.92
Do.	Ditto "	39.02 on 21st-22nd April 1897	34.21
Do.	Ditto "	39.28 on 6th-7th May 1908	34.47

N.B.—The gauge readings commenced from the 1st August 1887.

BOALIA:
The 1st May 1920.

MONORANJAN BISWAS,
for Executive Engineer, Rajshahi Division.

**Statement showing the Gauge-readings at Dacca Water-works Station
on the river Buriganga for the week ending the 24th April 1920.**

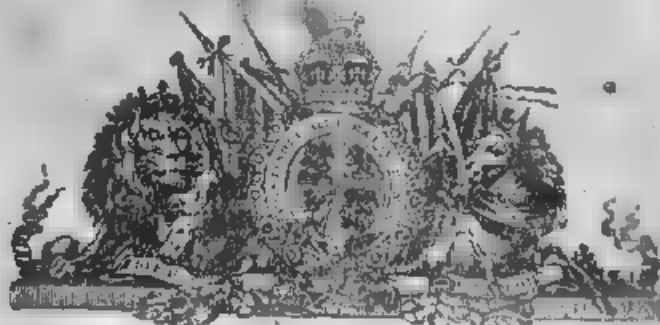
Date.	A.C.F.A.W.	AT HIGHEST WATER.		AT LOWEST WATER.		A.I.S.P.W.	Remarks.
		Time.	Readings.	Time.	Readings.		
1920.							
18th Apl.	53.8	10-48	55.25	16-22	53.4	53.25	H. T. at 11-35 and P. T. at 17-30.
19th "	54.2	11-25	55.7	17-0	52.55	53.55	P. T. at 8-17 and H. T. at 12-7.
20th "	54.4	12-15	55.9	17-40	53.85	53.6	P. T. at 9-0 and H. T. at 12-22.
21st "	54.4	13-0	56.4	18-15	54.0	54.5	P. T. at 9-45 and H. T. at 14-15.
22nd "	54.3	13-42	56.05	.....	..	54.4	P. T. at 9-35.
23rd "	54.0	14-15	55.6	6-30	53.8	54.0	P. T. at 10-30 and H. T. at 16-30.
24th "	54.25	15-18	54.8	7-20	52.75	54.3	H. T. at 11-5 and H. T. at 16-15.

Notable high and low water levels of previous years.

27th August	1906	70.5	Taken at high tide.
6th September	1909	...	...	...	67.86
10th August	1910	...	...	...	69.56
3rd "	1911	...	...	...	68.40
15th "	1912	...	...	...	67.16
31st "	1915	...	...	...	69.7
18th "	1916	...	...	...	68.1
12th "	1917	67.1	Taken at low tide.
31st "	1918	...	...	T	69.12
26th February	1907	...	...	...	51.04
18th "	1908	...	...	...	51.04
12th March	1912	...	...	...	51.06
8th "	1914	...	...	...	50.80
22nd February	1915	...	...	...	50.80
16th "	1916	...	...	...	50.60
3rd March	1917	51.0	
21st February	1918	51.40	

DACCA,
The 30th April 1920.

BENODE BEHARI RAY,
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, BENGAL.

Third and Final Forecast of the Spring Oilseed Crops of Bengal, 1919-20.

[Note.—On an average of the five years ending 1917-18, the area under linseed in Bengal has represented some 2·5 per cent., and that under rape and mustard 19·5 per cent., of the total areas respectively under these crops in British India.]

Character of the season.—In the preceding two forecasts, the season was reviewed up to the first part of February. Since then excessive rain, accompanied in some places with hail, is reported to have caused damage to mature crops in the districts of Murshidabad, Jessore, Bukarganj, Noakhali and Tippera. Elsewhere the rain did not materially affect the outturn, as most of the crops were already harvested. On the whole the season may be regarded as having been fairly favourable.

Acraage.—The total area under oilseed crops (excepting sesamum for which separate forecasts are issued) is estimated at 1,265,800 acres this year against 1,304,800 acres last year.

Outturn.—According to the estimate of District Officers, the outturn of different kinds of oilseed crops (excepting sesamum) for the Province works out at 76 per cent. of the normal this year against 66 per cent. last year.

Taking $5\frac{1}{2}$ maunds as the normal rate of yield per acre for linseed, 6 maunds for rape and mustard and $4\frac{1}{2}$ maunds for other oilseeds, the total yield for the Province is estimated at 207,700 tons against 187,000 tons last year.

R. S. FINLOW,

Offg. Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

Dacca;

The 7th May 1920.

APPENDIX I.

Third and Final Forecast of the Spring Oilseed Crops of Bengal, 1919-20.

District.	Name of spring oilseed crops.	Estimated normal area under spring oilseeds.	Estimated area under spring oilseeds.		Taking 100 to represent the normal, what would be the average outturn per acre cropped.		Date by which the harvesting generally commenced this year and whether that date was early, normal or late.	Remarks by District Officers.
			Last year (1918-19).	This year (1919-20).	Last year.	This year.		
24-Parganas.	Linseed	Acres. 1,800	Acres. 800 ^a	Acres. 600 ^a	87	83	End of December to February. Normal.	The weather has been favourable on the whole. A satisfactory outturn is expected.
	Rape and mustard ...	1,500	800 ^a	800 ^a	87	100		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (a)).	800	800	700	88	83		
	Total ...	4,100	1,700	1,600	78	78		
Radia	Linseed	16,700	13,300	12,400	33	35	Beginning of February. Normal.	The increase in area was due to favourable weather at sowing time and to high prices of oil. Want of rainfall at the time of growth adversely affected the outturn to a great extent.
	Rape and mustard ...	23,800	14,400	15,800	53	58	Beginning of January. Normal.	
	Other oilseeds (excepting (a)).	18,900	8,800	8,700	23	26	End of December. Normal.	
	Total ...	59,400	36,500	36,900	35	38		
Murshidabad	Linseed	20,800	18,000	15,000	60	67	February to March. Generally normal.	The increase in area over that of last year is due to extension of cultivation owing to high prices of oil and favourable weather conditions. Prolonged drought at the period of growth and heavy showers in February, when the crops were mature have reduced the outturn.
	Rape and mustard ...	12,900	12,300	14,700	50	63		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (a)).	8,700	8,100	8,800	68	75		
	Total ...	42,400	38,400	38,500	61	74		
Jessore	Linseed	24,000	8,400	8,500	78	65	End of January. Normal.	The weather has not been favourable. The outturn has fallen much below the normal on account of damage done by drought and insect-pests in December and January and by excessive rain in February.
	Rape and mustard ...	48,400	18,000	18,000	67	66	Second week of January. Normal.	
	Other oilseeds (excepting (a)).	8,800	1,900	2,300	50	56		
	Total ...	75,900	28,300	28,800	65	64		
Khalia	Linseed	900	100	100	31	60	End of January. Normal.	The increase in area is due to timely rainfall at the sowing time. On account of favourable weather, the outturn is expected to be normal.
	Rape and mustard ...	20,700	18,400	19,400	35	100	End of December. Normal.	
	Other oilseeds (excepting (a)).	100	800	800	98	100	February. Normal.	
	Total ...	21,700	19,200	20,200	77	100		
Bardwan	Linseed	15,400	7,700	6,300	67	67	End of January to end of February.	The decrease in area as compared with that of last year is due to want of moisture at the sowing time. The weather has not been favourable except in the Bardwan subdivision. The outturn is much below the normal owing to damage done by drought in the Kalna subdivision.
	Rape and mustard ...	8,100	8,100	8,800	36	67		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (a)).	1,000	100	500	48	66		
	Total ...	24,500	15,900	15,600	53	67		
Birbhum	Linseed	800	800 ^a	800 ^a	50	78	March. Normal.	The weather has been fair.
	Rape and mustard ...	2,000	2,000 ^a	2,000 ^a	50	78		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (a)).	800	800	800 ^a	50	78		
	Total ...	3,600	3,600	3,600	57	78		

^a Conventional area.^b Includes the area of 100 acres under groundnut.

District.	Name of spring sown crops.	Estimated normal area under spring oilseeds.	Estimated area under spring oilseeds.		Taking 100 to represent the normal, what would be the average outturn per acre cropped.		Date by which the harvesting generally commenced this year and whether that date was early, normal or late.	Remarks by District Officers.
			Last year (1918-19).	This year (1919-20).	Last year.	This year.		
Bankura	Linseed ...	1,500	1,900*	1,000*	67	100	End of February. Normal.	The increase in area is due to favourable weather conditions. The outturn is expected to be slightly above the normal owing to absence of any damaging influences.
	Rape and mustard ...	2,000	2,700	4,500	67	100	End of January. Normal.	
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	5,000	2,500	4,000	67	100	Middle of January. Normal.	
	Total ...	16,000	8,200	9,500	67	100		
Midnapore	Linseed ...	4,900†	11,600	1,800†	60	91	End of January...	The normal and this year's areas have been revised on the basis of revised settlement figures. The weather has not been very favourable. Want of rain has done some damage to the crops.
	Rape and mustard ...	10,300†	13,000	4,300†	60	91		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	6,800†	16,000	4,700†	60	92		
	Total ...	24,000†	36,600	10,800†	60	91		
Hooghly	Linseed ...	800	700*	700*	64	67	End of February. Normal.	The decrease in area compared with the normal area was due to unfavourable weather conditions at sowing time. The outturn is below the normal owing to want of timely rainfall.
	Rape and mustard ...	7,000	2,500	2,800	66	67	Middle of February. Normal.	
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	5,700	700	700	64	67		
	Total ...	11,400	3,200	3,200	66	67		
Howrah	Linseed ...	2,000	900	800	60	68	Beginning of February. Normal.	The weather was not favourable except in the case of rape and mustard.
	Rape and mustard ...	1,100	400	800	60	69		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	100	100	100	60	67		
	Total ...	3,200	700	1,300	60	61		
Rajshahi	Linseed ...	37,000	14,400	14,100	60	67	First part of March. Normal.	Since the submission of the annual forecast, the weather has been fair. Some damage was caused to the crops by insect-pests and drought as reported in the annual forecast. Hence the outturn is much below the normal.
	Rape and mustard ...	74,000	57,400	49,400	60	67	Latter part of January. Normal.	
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	400	2,000	1,000	64	68	First part of March. Normal.	
	Total ...	102,400	74,100	63,500	60	67		
Dinajpur	Linseed ...	(60)	(20)*	(30)*	70	50	Middle of January. Normal.	Owing to unfavourable weather the outturn is much below the normal.
	Rape and mustard ...	70,000	50,000	37,000	60	61		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	...	100	100	68	60		
	Total ...	70,060	50,100	37,100	60	61		
Fulgaiguri	Rape and mustard ...	48,800	61,600	48,300	98	98	Latter part of January. Normal.	Owing to extension of tobacco cultivation, the area under rape and mustard has been reduced. The outturn has fallen much below the normal owing to damage done by drought and insect-pests.
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	300	300	300	100	100		
	Total ...	49,100	61,900	48,600	98	98		

* Conventional area.

† Revised.

District.	Name of spring oilseed crops.	Estimated normal area under spring oilseeds.	Estimated area under spring oilseeds.		Taking 100 to represent the normal, what would be the average outturn per acre cropped.		Date by which the harvesting generally commenced this year and whether that date was early, normal or late.	Remarks by District Officers.
			Last year (1918-19).	This year (1919-20).	Last year.	This year.		
Durgam	Rape and mustard	Acres. 7,000	Acres. 8,800	Acres. 8,800	100	99	January. Normal.	The increase in area by 180 acres was due to new cultivation in the T. & T. The weather had been favourable but want of rain in the T. & T. has reduced the outturn to fall below the normal.
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	300	300	300	100	99		
	Total	7,300	9,100	9,100	100	99		
Kanchpur	Rape and mustard	180,000	110,000	175,000	80	90	Middle of January. Normal.	The weather was favourable at the sowing time. Since then want of rain has caused the outturn to fall below the normal.
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	1,100	200	700	100	90		
	Total	181,100	110,200	175,700	80	90		
Bogra	Linseed	1,000	1,800	1,800	68	80	Middle of March.	The weather was not favourable at the sowing time. Absence of rain and floods in the eastern part of the district caused damage to crops. The rain in February did some good but it was too late to be of much benefit. Hence the outturn is much below the normal.
	Rape and mustard	40,000	12,000	14,000	40	80		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	...	300	200	60	40		
Fakir	Linseed	7,000	3,400	10,800	53	60	Middle of March. Normal.	Since the sowing of the second forecast, heavy rainfalls with hailstorms damaged the crop considerably in some parts of the district.
	Rape and mustard	110,000	114,500	75,000	55	80		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	...	...	300	...	10
Malda	Linseed	5,000	5,500	6,000	43	67	January and February. Normal.	The weather has not been favourable throughout. The growth was retarded owing to want of moisture due to absence of rain since November which caused slight damage. The outturn has therefore fallen much below the normal.
	Rape and mustard	30,000	10,000	11,000	46	70		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	1,800	1,300	1,200	60	67		
Dacca	Linseed	1,300	4,400	1,600	78	100	Middle of February. Normal.	Since the substitution of the second forecast, the weather was rainy accompanied with hailstorms which caused damage to linseed.
	Rape and mustard	65,000	74,500	68,000	64	100		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	1,700	...	1,700	...	100		
Mymensingh	Linseed	12,800	12,800	12,800	80	80	Middle of January. Normal.	Since the substitution of the second forecast, about 25 per cent. of the crop was damaged by untimely heavy rain in the Kishoreganj sub-division. The outturn would have been better if there had been no heavy showers.
	Rape and mustard	430,700	479,300	479,300	70	75		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	300	300	300	75	100		
Faridpur	Linseed	5,900	8,100	8,000	89	90	February. Normal.	Since the substitution of the second forecast, the growth of the crops was retarded owing to continued rain and the outturn has therefore fallen below the normal.
	Rape and mustard	28,700	28,700	24,300	89	85		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	1,100	1,100	1,100	80	84		
	Total	35,700	38,000	33,400	84	87		

District.	Name of spring oilseed crops.	Estimated normal area under spring oilseeds.	Estimated area under spring oilseeds.		Taking 100 to represent the normal, what would be the average outturn per acre cropped.		Date by which the harvesting generally commenced this year and whether this date was early, normal or late.	Remarks by District Officer.
			Last year (1918-19).	This year (1919-20).	Last year.	This year.		
Bakerganj	Linseed ...	4,500	4,400	4,400	100	100	End of February and middle of March. Normal.	The weather was not very favourable owing to heavy rain in the first part of March which has caused some damage.
	Rape and mustard ...	1,100	1,000	2,000	100	93		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	200	100	100	100	93		
	Total ...	5,800	5,400	7,500	100	97		
Chittagong	Linseed ...	100	100	100	25	100	March. Latter part of January. March.	The weather has been favourable.
	Rape and mustard ...	5,800	1,000	2,000	92	100		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	100	100	100	99	100		
	Total ...	5,900	2,100	2,100	87	100		
Tippur	Linseed ...	4,400	4,300	4,300	80	75	January. Normal.	The weather has not been favourable owing to heavy and obdurate rain since the submission of the second forecast.
	Rape and mustard ...	24,400	22,200	26,100	93	87		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	500	500	500	90	87		
	Total ...	49,300	27,000	30,900	80	88		
Moulvibazar	Linseed ...	5,000	4,000	7,100	90	85	March. Normal.	The weather has not been favourable. The outturn is below the normal owing to damage caused by drought in November and December and by heavy rain in February and March.
	Rape and mustard ...	900	600	400	80	100		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	700	800	900	89	100		
	Total ...	6,600	5,400	8,400	80	88		
Chittagong Hill Tracts.	Rape and mustard ...	12,800	12,000	12,100	80	80	January. Normal.	The weather has been fair.
Total Bengal	Linseed ...	219,000	144,400	187,000	85	84		
	Rape and mustard ...	1,438,000	1,135,400	1,100,000	82	77		
	Other oilseeds (excepting oil).	80,000	85,000	28,800	84	80		
	Total ...	1,697,000	1,364,800	1,315,800	82	78		

* Revised.

APPENDIX II.

Abstract statement of the estimated acreage and outturn of the Spring Oilseed Crops of Bengal, 1919-20.

Produce.	Name of crops.	AREA (IN ACRES).						YIELD (IN TONS).							
		Of current year's crop (1919-20).	Of previous year's crop (1918-19).	Average of preceding	Percentage by which column 5 exceeds (+), or is less than (-), area in		Estimated yield of crop at year's end of area in column 2.	Yield of previous year, i.e., of area in column 4.	Average of preceding	Percentage by which column 9 exceeds (+), or is less than (-), yield in					
					Column 4.	Column 5.				Column 9.	Column 10.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12				
Bengal	Linseed ...	137,000	144,400	171,700	166,800	- 5.1	- 30.2	- 28.6	17,400	15,500	37,000	30,100	+12.7	- 23.2	- 42.3
	Rape and mustard.	1,100,000	1,135,400	1,268,200	1,311,000	- 3.8	- 17.9	- 16.1	105,700	103,700	380,500	332,300	+10.7	- 30.1	- 30
	Other oilseeds (excluding oil).	28,000	28,000	41,800	24,800	-17.7	- 30.8	- 47.2	3,800	2,900	0.100	1,400	+20	- 29.4	- 43.7
	Total ...	1,285,000	1,307,800	1,479,800	1,502,600	- 3	- 14.2	- 13.4	207,900	187,000	367,600	271,900	+11.7	- 25.4	- 32.4

DISTRICT REPORTS ON WEATHER AND CROPS.

For the week ending on the 5th May 1920.

Summary.—Light to moderate rain fell in North and East Bengal; elsewhere there was practically no rain. Rain is urgently needed for ploughing and sowing of jute and paddy in West Bengal. Weeding of jute and autumn paddy is proceeding satisfactorily in East and North Bengal. Prospects of standing crops are generally reported to be favourable. The average price of common rice for the province has risen by about 1·09 per cent. as compared with that of the previous week.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN RUPEES, PER KOPE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	24-PARGANAS	Inches. Nil	5½	5½	Sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute crops continued. There has been slow progress in ploughing for want of rain in Basirhat subdivision. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Diamond Harbour.	(n)	(n)	(n)	
	Barrackpore	Nil	5	(n)	
	Barasat ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Basirhat ...	Nil	5½	5½	
2	NADIA ...	Nil	5½	5½	Sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute is being retarded for want of rain. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Chuadanga, Alamdanga, Gangani and Nakasipara.
	Kushtia ...	0·13	5	5½	
	Meherpur ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Chuadanga...	Nil	6	5½	
	Ranaghat ...	Nil	5½	5½	
3	MURSHIDABAD	Nil	5½	5½	Weather hot. Prospects of standing crops are favourable but somewhat affected for want of rain. Cattle-pox is reported from Bharatpur thana in Kandi and from Mirzapur in Jangipur subdivision. Fodder is sufficient. There is no large import of rice. Export continues.
	Lalbagh ...	(n)	(n)	5½	
	Jangipur ...	Nil	6½	6½	
	Kandi ...	0·17	6½	6½	
4	JESSORE ...	0·21	{ 6 6 }	{ 6 6 }	Sowing of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy is being retarded for want of rain. Fodder is sufficient. Import or export as usual.
	Jhenidah ...	Nil	6	6	
	Magura ...	Nil	5½	5	
	Narail ...	Nil	5	5½	
	Bangaon ...	Nil	5½	5½	
5	KHULNA ...	Nil	5½	5½	Cultivation of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute is in progress. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Kalaroa.
	Satkhira ...	Nil	5	6	
	Bagerhat ...	Nil	{ 5½ 7 }	{ 6 7 }	

* Burma rice.

(n) Not reported.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN SUGAR, PER RUPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1		2	3	4	
6	BURDWAN ...	Inches. Nil	5	5½	Weather very hot. Rain is urgently wanted. Ploughing of lands for jute and <i>aus</i> paddy continues.
	Asansol ...	Nil	6½	6½	
	Katwa ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Kalna ...	Nil	4½	4½	
7	BIRBHUM ...	Nil	6½	6½	Standing crops are doing well. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Rampurhat...	Nil	6½	6½	
8	BANKURA ...	Nil	6	6½	Manuring of fields continues. No large export or import of rice or paddy.
	Vishnupur...	Nil	6	6	
9	MIDNAPORE...	Nil	5½	5½	Sowing of autumn rice and jute is being retarded for drought. Prospects of late cotton and <i>rabi</i> <i>til</i> are fair. Fodder is sufficient.
	Ghatal ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Tamluk ...	Nil	4½	4½	
	Contai ...	Nil	6	6	
10	HOOGLY ...	Nil	5	5	Effects of weather on the growth of the crops are unfavourable. Rain is urgently needed. Fodder is sufficient. Price of rice is steady.
	Serampore ...	Nil	5	5	
	Arambagh ...	Nil	5½	5½	
11	HOWRAH ...	Nil	6½	5½	Weather hot. Preparation of lands for jute and paddy continues. Condition of newly planted sugarcane is good. Fodder is sufficient.
	Ulubaria ...	Nil	5	5½	
12	RAJSHAH (RAMPUR-BOALIA).	Nil	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are good. Sowing of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy continues. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Bagatipara thana.
	Naogaon ...	1·73	6	6½	
	Nator ...	0·64	5½	6	
13	DINAJPUR ...	0·11	6	6½	Sowing of jute and <i>bhadoi</i> paddy continues. More rain is wanted.
	Thakurgaon	0·15	6½	6½	
	Balurghat ...	0·35	6½	6½	
14	JALPAIGURI	1·14	5½	6½	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Sowing of jute and <i>bhadoi</i> paddy is in progress. Export of rice and paddy continues. Cattle-disease is reported.
	Alipur ...	1·83	5½	6	

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN SEERS, PER RUPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
15	DARJEELING	8.37	5½	5½	Wheat and barley are being harvested. Potatoes and maize are progressing. Stocks of rice, fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is prevalent at places.
	Kurseong ...	3.18	5½	5½	
	Siliguri ...	5.69	6	6	
	Kalimpong...	2.56	5½	5½	
16	RANGPUR ...	6.69	5½	6	Sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute is almost over. Weeding is in progress. Stocks of rice, fodder and water are sufficient.
	Nilphamari	1.65	5½	5½	
	Kurigram ...	3.58	5½	5½	
	Gaibandha...	1.20	5½	5½	
17	BOGRA ...	0.18	5½	6	Sowing of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy continues. Weeding of jute is in progress.
18	PABNA ...	3.01	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder is sufficient.
	Sirajganj ...	0.24	5	5	
19	MALDA ...	0.16	6½	6½	Sowing of <i>bhatoi</i> paddy and jute is delayed for want of rain. Prospects of standing crops are good. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> paddy has commenced. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Habibpur thana.
20	COOCH BEHAR	4.14	6½	6½	Weather hot and cloudy. Weeding of <i>bitri</i> paddy and jute continues. Cutting of tobacco leaves is finished; outturn is estimated at 10 annas. Cattle-disease is reported from Mathabhanga.
21	DACCA ...	Nil	5	5	Weather hot and sultry with high southerly wind. Ploughing of fields and sowing and weeding of jute and paddy are in progress. Jute, paddy and sugarcane are thriving well. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> paddy is almost finished. Prospects of <i>boro</i> paddy and jute are good, rice market showing an upward tendency. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Magikganj...	0.09	5	5½	
	Narayanganj	0.05	5	5½	
	Munshiganj (a)	(n)	(n)	5	
22	MYMENSINGH	2.26	5½	5½	Weather hot with occasional showers. Weeding of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy is going on. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> paddy is nearly finished. Prospects of standing crops are fair. The price of rice shows an upward tendency. Water and fodder are sufficient. Cattle disease is reported from Tangail subdivision.
	Jamalpur ...	0.21	5½	5½	
	Tangail ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Netrakona ...	2.54	5	5½	
	Kishorganj...	0.95	5½	5½	

(n) Not reported.

(a) Munshiganj being very near to Dacca and Narayanganj, its rainfall statistics are not quoted. To give information regarding the northern part of the district, rainfall figures for Kapesia thana are reported here.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN SEERS, PER RUPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
		Inches.			
23	FARIDPUR ...	0.72	{ 5½ 5½	{ 5½ 5½	Sowing of jute and paddy is nearly finished. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder is sufficient.
	Goalando ...	Nil	{ 5½ 6	{ 5½ 6½	
	Madaripur ...	Nil	{ 5 5½	{ 5 5½	
	Gopalganj (a)	0.17	{ 5 5½	{ 5 6½	
24	BAKARGANJ (BARISAL).	Nil	5	5½	Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Patuakhali.
	Pirojpur ...	0.20	5½	5½	
	Patuakhali ...	0.06	5½	5½	
	Dakshin Shabazpur (Bhola).	0.60	5	(n)	
25	CHITTAGONG	0.07	{ 5½ 5½	{ 5½ 5½	Cultivation of aus crop is in progress and harvesting of rabi crops has commenced. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder is sufficient. Panga salt is selling at 12 seers per rupee at Sadar.
	Cox's Bazar	(n)	(n)	5	
26	TIPPERA (COMILLA).	Nil	5	4½	Weather hot and cloudy. Ploughing and sowing are in full swing; weeding of jute is going on. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from Brahmanbaria subdivision.
	Brahmanbaria.	0.05	5	5	
	Chandpur ...	Nil	5	5	
27	NOAKHALI	0.01	5	5	Weather cloudy and stormy. Sowing of aus paddy is in full swing. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Chhaganaya and Pashuram.
	Feni ...	0.34	4½	4½	
28	CHITTAGONG HILL TRACTS.	Nil	5	5	Weather cloudy. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Jhum-burning continues. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Ramgarh.

(a) The rainfall at Haridaspur, which is very near to Gopalganj, is shown here.

* Barma rice.

† Local rice.

(n) Not reported.

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for Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

Dacca, the 10th May 1920.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1920.

Marts.	Paddy (BEST QUALITY).						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	4 4 0	4 4 0	3 10 0	2 12 0	3 2 0	2 2 0	3 2 0
Chetta Hill	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan	4 0 0	4 4 0	4 0 0	1 10 0	2 4 0	2 2 0	2 0 0
Kalna	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Raipur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore	4 4 0	4 0 0	2 14 0	1 12 0	2 4 0	2 2 0	2 12 0
Chittagong	4 4 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	(c)	2 0 0	2 14 0	2 12 0
Chandpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca	4 2 0	4 2 0	4 2 0	1 12 0	2 4 0	4 4 0	4 0 0
Narayanganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madripur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pabna	4 2 0	4 4 0	3 12 0	2 2 0	2 12 0	2 4 0	3 7 0
Sirajganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur	3 12 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	1 10 0	2 14 0	3 4 0	3 0 0

Marts.	Paddy (COMMON QUALITY).						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	3 12 0	3 12 0	3 0 0	2 4 0	2 10 0	3 2 0	2 12 0
Chetta Hill	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan	4 0 0	4 0 0	3 12 0	1 2 0	2 2 0	2 4 0	2 0 0
Kalna	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Raipur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore	4 0 0	3 12 0	3 14 0	1 7 0	2 0 0	2 10 0	2 7 0
Chittagong	4 0 0	3 12 0	4 0 0	(c)	3 0 0	2 12 0	2 10 0
Chandpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca	4 4 0	4 0 0	4 2 0	1 10 0	2 0 0	2 12 0	3 4 0
Narayanganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madripur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pabna	4 4 0	4 2 0	3 12 0	1 12 0	2 0 0	2 12 0	3 0 0
Sirajganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur	2 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	1 4 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	2 4 0

(c) No sale.

Wholesale, prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned parts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1920.

Mark.	RICE (HMT QUALITY).						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta ...	9 5 0	9 0 0	9 4 0	8 8 0	7 0 0	7 12 0	7 8 0
Chota Mai ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan ...	9 0 0	8 0 0	8 8 0	4 8 0	5 8 0	8 0 0	8 8 0
Kalca ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nadiganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore ...	7 2 0	7 8 0	7 8 0	2 5 0	4 12 0	5 12 0	5 5 0
Chittagong ...	12 0 0	12 0 0	12 0 0	7 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	8 0 0
Chandpur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca ...	8 0 0	8 0 0	7 5 0	4 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	6 0 0
Narayanganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madaripur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pabna ...	11 0 0	11 0 0	7 0 0	4 0 0	7 5 0	7 2 0	8 0 0
Sirajganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur ...	8 0 0	7 8 0	5 2 0	4 2 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	7 2 0

Mark.	RICE (COMMON QUALITY).						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta ...	8 4 0	8 4 0	8 4 0	4 8 0	5 10 0	6 0 0	5 4 0
Chota Mai ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan ...	7 4 0	7 2 0	7 2 0	2 14 0	3 0 0	2 0 0	4 10 0
Kalca ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nadiganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore ...	7 0 0	6 8 0	6 8 0	3 0 0	4 4 0	4 12 0	4 12 0
Chittagong ...	7 8 0	6 8 0	5 2 0	3 4 0	4 0 0	5 0 0	4 0 0
Chandpur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca ...	7 0 0	7 12 0	6 12 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	5 12 0	5 4 0
Narayanganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madaripur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pabna ...	7 2 0	6 14 0	5 4 0	3 7 0	4 10 0	5 0 0	5 0 0
Sirajganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur ...	7 0 0	6 0 0	5 2 0	2 12 0	4 10 0	4 12 0	5 10 0

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1920.

Marts.	WHEAT.						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	70	31	25	23	34	33	27
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta ...	5 0 0	5 0 0	7 4 0	5 0 0	4 10 0	4 3 0	5 3 0
Chota Hat ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan ...	5 4 0	5 4 0	(a)	4 2 0	5 0 0	5 4 0	5 0 5
Kalna ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Raniganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore ...	5 3 0	5 3 0	5 3 0	5 4 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 12 0
Chittagong ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chandpur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca ...	5 2 0	5 12 0	...	...	...	...	...
Narayanganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madaripur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fabna ...	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 1 0	5 10 0	4 0 0	...	...
Sirajganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur ...	(a) ...	(a) ...	7 0 0	5 4 0	3 4 0	5 4 0	5 0 0

Marts.	KHAL DAL.						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	37	36	39	40	41	42	43
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta ...	5 0 0	5 5 0	10 0 0	5 3 0	4 12 0	5 0 0	5 4 0
Chota Hat ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan ...	5 0 0	7 2 0	12 0 0	5 4 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 12 0
Kalna ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Raniganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore ...	5 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0	5 10 0	5 12 0	4 4 0	4 0 0
Chittagong ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chandpur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca ...	7 0 0	5 2 0	...	...	...	...	...
Narayanganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madaripur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fabna ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sirajganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur ...	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 5 0	7 3 0	5 0 0	5 4 0

(a) Not available.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1920.

Marts.	GRAM.						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	3 0 0	5 0 0	4 0 0	4 2 0	3 4 0	3 0 0	4 6 0
Chitta Hill							
Burdwan	4 12 0	5 0 0	4 0 0	3 4 0	3 15 0	3 0 0	4 3 0
Kalna	to 5 0 0	to 5 0 0					
Raniganj							
Midnapore	5 12 0	7 4 0	6 12 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	4 8 0
Chittagong	to 7 4 0	to 5 0 0	to 7 12 0	to 4 4 0	4 5 0	3 0 0	5 4 0
Chandpur							
Dacca	7 4 0	5 0 0					
Narayanganj							
Mymensingh							
Madaripur							
Pabna							
Sirajganj							
Rangpur			5 0 0	5 4 0	7 4 0	7 0 0	6 10 0

Marts.	ANWAR DAL.						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	51	52	53	54	55	56	57
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	5 0 0	4 12 0	3 0 0	3 4 0
Chitta Hill							
Burdwan	3 0 0	3 0 0	(a) 3 0 0	3 10 0	4 0 0	3 4 0	5 12 0
Kalna							
Raniganj							
Midnapore	10 12 0	10 12 0	10 0 0	5 4 0	0 0 0	5 12 0	6 3 0
Chittagong	to 12 3 0	to 12 3 0	to 11 0 0	to 7 0 0	0 0 0	7 0 0	7 0 0
Chandpur							
Dacca	10 0 0	11 2 0	10 0 0	5 2 0	0 0 0	5 12 0	7 12 0
Narayanganj							
Mymensingh							
Madaripur							
Pabna	11 0 0	12 0 0	11 0 0	5 4 0	0 0 0	7 0 0	8 0 0
Sirajganj							
Rangpur	3 0 0	3 12 0	10 0 0	2 3 0	7 2 0	7 0 0	6 10 0

(a) Not available.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, oil, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1920.

Mart.	LINSEED.			MUSTARD.			GUR.			COTTON (UNSIGNED).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	12 0 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	12 0 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0
Chital Hat												
Bardwan	10 0 0	10 0 0	(a)	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	(a)
Kalga												
Barisal												
Midnapore	10 0 0	11 0 0	7 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	40 0 0	40 0 0	40 0 0
Chittagong	12 0 0	12 0 0	12 0 0	12 0 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	12 0 0	12 0 0	12 0 0
Dhaka												
Doon	12 0 0	10 0 0	11 0 0	10 0 0	11 0 0	12 0 0	14 0 0	14 0 0	10 0 0			
Baranagar												
Wynenaghat												
Madaripur												
Patna	12 0 0	12 0 0	(a)	12 0 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	10 0 0			
Wazirpur												
Bangor				10 0 0	10 0 0	11 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0			

* Due to large import.

Mart.	JUTE.			GESS.			HIDES (RAW).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	75 0 0	400 0 0	400 0 0	400 0 0
Chital Hat									
Bardwan	(a)	(a)	(a)	10 0 0	10 0 0	75 0 0	(a)	(a)	(a)
Kalga									
Barisal									
Midnapore	5 0 0	5 0 0	7 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	75 0 0	300 0 0	300 0 0	300 0 0
Chittagong									
Dhaka	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	75 0 0	275 0 0	275 0 0	200 0 0
Doon	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	75 0 0			
Baranagar	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	75 0 0			
Wynenaghat	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	75 0 0			
Madaripur	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	75 0 0			
Patna	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	75 0 0			
Wazirpur	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	75 0 0			
Bangor	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	75 0 0			

(a) None.

(a) Not available.

Marks.	IRON.			SALT.			KEROSENE OIL.		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	79	80	81	81	83	84	85	86	87
Calcutta	Rs. A. P. 10 0 0	Rs. A. P. 10 0 0	Rs. A. P. 10 0 0	Rs. A. P. 2 0 0	Rs. A. P. 2 0 0	Rs. A. P. 3 0 0	Rs. A. P. 3 15 0 (a)	Rs. A. P. 3 15 0 (a)	Rs. A. P. 5 2 0 (a)
Chota Hat	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	3 15 0 (a)	3 15 0 (a)	5 2 0 (a)
Hurdwar	10 0 0 to 17 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	2 12 0	2 4 0	3 14 0 6	3 2 0 (a)	3 2 0 (a)	4 11 0 (c)
Kaira	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	3 15 0 (a)	3 15 0 (a)	5 2 0 (a)
Raniganj	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	3 15 0 (a)	3 15 0 (a)	5 2 0 (a)
Midnapore	10 0 0 to 13 0 0	10 0 0 to 13 0 0	10 0 0 to 13 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	3 15 0 (a)	3 15 0 (a)	5 2 0 (a)
Ohattagram	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	3 15 0 (a)	3 15 0 (a)	5 2 0 (a)
Chandpur	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	3 15 0 (a)	3 15 0 (a)	5 2 0 (a)
Dacca	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	3 15 0 (a)	3 15 0 (a)	5 2 0 (a)
Naryaganj	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	3 15 0 (a)	3 15 0 (a)	5 2 0 (a)
Myrnsingh	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	3 15 0 (a)	3 15 0 (a)	5 2 0 (a)
Mudanipur	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	3 15 0 (a)	3 15 0 (a)	5 2 0 (a)
Fatwa	10 0 0 to 13 0 0	10 0 0 to 13 0 0	10 0 0 to 13 0 0	2 12 0	2 12 0	3 10 0	4 0 0 (a)	4 0 0 (a)	4 4 0 (a)
Sikriganj	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	3 15 0 (a)	3 15 0 (a)	5 2 0 (a)
Rampur	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	3 0 0	3 15 0 (a)	3 15 0 (a)	5 2 0 (a)

(a) Monkey brand, (b) Rising Sun, (c) Monkey, (d) Victoria brand, (e) Elephant, (f) Gold rooster.

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J. C. ROY,

for *Director of Agriculture, Bengal.*

Dacca, the 8th May 1920.

prices-current (retail) of food-grains, salt, etc., in the districts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1920.

Division.	Districts and Head.	QUANTITY PER RUPEE IN SEER OF HIGHER TOLAS.																	
		COMMON RICE.									KALAI DAL (Phaseolus radiatus).			ARHAR (DAL) OR TURU. CASSIA PEA (Cajanus indica).			SALT.		
		Average.			Cheapest.			Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.			
		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.												
PARTURIST.	24-PARGANAS.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.	S. GR.		
	1 Chetla Hat ...	4 8	4 8	5 2	5 5	5 5	5 13	4 2	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	3 8	10 10	10 10	11 0		
	2 Nagra Hat ...	5 10	5 0	5 13	6 0	6 0	6 7	(n)	(n)	(n)	3 0	3 0	3 12	11 12	11 12	13 2			
	3 Calcutta-Bellaghat ...	4 12	4 12	5 0	6 0	6 0	7 0	4 7	4 7	3 12	4 0	4 0	4 3	10 0	10 0	10 0			
	NADIA.																		
	4 Goud ...	5 11	5 12	5 11	(n)	(n)	6 0	3 3	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	11 0	11 0	11 0		
	5 Ranighat ...	5 4	4 0	5 4	5 3	5 4	3 10	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	10 0	10 0	10 0			
	MURSHIDABAD.																		
	6 Berhampur ...	5 10	5 12	5 13	5 12	5 0	6 0	5 0	5 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	13 0	12 0	11 0			
	7 Kandi ...	5 1	5 7	5 3	5 3	5 3	7 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	4 0	10 0	10 0	11 0			
8 Jagtupur ...	5 13	5 0	5 0	7 0	7 0	6 4	4 0	5 0	3 12	4 0	3 0	3 3	14 0	14 0	11 0				
JESSORE.	9 Sadar ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 13	5 0	7 0	3 0	3 4	3 4	3 0	3 4	3 4	10 0	10 0	10 12			
	10 Bagmati ...	5 5	5 0	5 10	5 11	5 10	6 0	3 3	3 3	5 11	3 3	3 3	4 0	12 0	12 0	13 0			
	KHULNA.																		
	11 Sadar ...	5 5	5 0	7 0	5 5	5 3	7 3	4 0	4 0	4 0	3 0	3 0	4 0	12 0	10 0	11 0			
	12 Bagmati ...	5 0	5 0	7 0	7 0	7 0	7 3	5 0	5 0	5 0	3 10	3 10	4 10	9 0	9 0	10 0			
	BURDWAN.																		
	13 Sadar ...	5 5	5 0	5 5	5 0	5 0	5 3	5 0	5 0	3 4	4 0	3 0	(n)	10 0	10 0	12 0			
	14 Kalna ...	5 4	5 10	5 7	5 3	5 12	5 12	4 0	4 0	3 13	3 4	3 3	3 10	10 0	10 0	12 12			
	DIRDHUM.																		
	15 Sadar ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 12	5 0	5 4	4 0	4 0	4 0	5 0	4 0	4 0	13 0	12 0	11 0			
16 Rampur Hat ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 0	5 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	11 0	11 0	11 0				
DANKUNA.	17 Sadar ...	5 0	5 4	5 0	5 4	5 0	5 4	4 0	5 0	(n)	3 0	3 12	(n)	11 0	11 0	(n)			
	18 Vistampur ...	5 10	5 0	(n)	5 4	(n)	(n)	4 4	4 4	(n)	4 0	4 0	(n)	11 0	11 0	(n)			
	MINNAPUR.																		
	19 Sadar ...	5 11	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 5	5 5	4 0	4 0	3 4	3 0	3 5	3 4	10 0	10 0	10 0			
	20 Ornat ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	7 0	3 0	3 0	4 0	3 4	3 4	3 0	9 0	10 0	10 0			
	HAZARIB.																		
	21 Sadar ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	4 4	4 0	4 0	3 12	3 0	4 0	11 0	11 0	11 4			
	22 Arambagh ...	5 5	3 13	5 0	5 12	5 0	5 3	3 3	3 0	3 3	3 4	3 4	3 0	10 10	10 10	10 10			
	HOWDAH.																		
	23 Sadar ...	5 0	5 4	5 0	5 0	5 12	5 12	5 0	5 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	3 4	12 0	11 0	11 0			
24 Okheria ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 4	5 0	5 0	5 0	3 0	3 12	3 12	3 12	12 0	12 0	11 0				
RAJSHAH.	25 Rampur-Bosha ...	5 10	5 0	5 0	5 12	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 4	4 0	4 0	3 0	4 0	10 0	10 0	10 0			
	26 Nabot ...	5 5	3 0	5 0	5 4	5 0	5 0	4 0	4 0	3 13	3 13	3 14	3 3	10 0	10 0	10 0			
	27 Dinajpur-Hatway Hakur Hat.	5 4	5 0	7 3	5 0	5 0	7 13	3 13	3 13	3 14	3 3	3 3	4 3	10 0	10 0	10 0			
	28 Jajmuguri-Sadar ...	5 12	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 0	7 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	3 4	3 3	4 0	10 0	10 0	10 0			

Karkash.

(n) Not available.

(n) Not reported.

Price-current (retail) of food-grains, salt, etc., in the districts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1920—contd.

DIVISION.	DISTRICTS AND MARKS.	QUANTITY PER RUPEE IN MEASURES OF EIGHTY TOLAS.														
		COMMON LENT.						KALAI DAL (Phaseolus radiatus).			ARHAR (DAL) OR TUR. GADIAN PEA (Cajanus indicus).			SALT.		
		Average.			Cheapest.			Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.									
Number.		S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.
RANGPUR.																
19	Sadar	3 3	4 3	4 0	3 0	3 4	3 3	2 12	2 12	3 0	2 3	2 12	2 12	3 0	3 0	3 0
20	Singur	3 0	3 0	3 3	3 0	3 0	3 3	2 3	2 3	2 3	2 3	2 3	2 3	3 0	3 0	3 0
PARNA.																
31	Sadar	5 11	5 12	7 0	5 12	6 0	7 3	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 3	3 0
32	Nitphamari	5 3	6 0	7 0	5 11	5 3	...	2 10	2 12	4 0	2 10	2 12	4 0	10 0	10 0	9 3
33	Bogra-Sadar	5 13	6 0	6 4	6 0	6 3	7 12	3 3	3 9	4 0	3 3	3 3	4 0	10 12	9 12	7 12
MAHES.																
34	Sadar	5 3	5 3	5 0	5 10	5 12	6 4	5 9	5 0	5 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	13 12	11 3	10 12
35	Sirajganj	5 0	5 0	5 3	5 3	5 4	7 0	5 4	5 4	5 12	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 3
DAKKA.																
36	Sadar	3 4	3 4	3 4	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	4 0	4 0	3 3	3 10	10 0	10 0	11 0	11 0
37	Munshir Hat	3 3	3 4	3 4	3 4	3 3	3 0	(a)	(a)	...	(a)	(a)	4 0	10 0	10 0	9 0
MYRINSINGH.																
40	Nasirabad	3 0	3 4	3 0	3 3	3 10	3 3	4 0	4 0	4 3	4 3	4 3	4 0	3 14	3 14	3 0
41	Netrokona	3 3	3 3	3 4	3 3	3 10	3 12	4 0	3 0	7 0	2 3	3 3	4 0	10 0	10 0	9 0
BARISAL.																
42	Sadar	3 4	3 4	3 0	(b) 3 12	(b) 3 12	3 12	4 0	4 0	4 14	3 0	3 0	4 3	10 0	9 0	10 0
43	Rajbari	3 10	3 10	3 3	(b) 3 12	(b) 3 12	3 12	3 0	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	10 0	10 0	9 3
BARANGAN.																
44	Barisal	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 4	3 0	3 4	3 4	3 4	3 3	3 4	3 4	3 14	10 0	10 0	3 14
45	Phrojpur	3 4	3 3	3 4	3 3	3 12	...	4 0	4 0	...	(a)	(a)	4 0	3 0	3 0	3 0
TIPPERA.																
46	Comilla	4 12	3 3	3 3	3 0	3 0	3 3	3 3	3 4	3 3	3 10	3 1	3 4	10 0	10 0	3 0
47	Chandpur	4 14	3 3	3 3	3 2	3 10	3 10	3 12	3 3	3 4	3 1	3 0	4 3	3 4	3 4	10 0
NOAKHAL.																
48	Kallians Hat	4 12	4 10	3 12	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 3	3 3	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0
49	Feni Hat	4 12	3 3	3 3	3 2	3 10	3 3	3 4	3 4	3 9	(a)	(a)	...	10 11	10 11	10 11
CHITTAGONG.																
50	Sadar	3 0	3 0	3 0	(b) 3 12	(b) 3 12	3 12	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 12	11 0	12 0	12 0
51	Comilla Sadar	3 4	3 3	7 0	(a)	(a)	7 3	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 4	3 0	3 0	3 0
52	Chittagong Hill Tracts—Kusumail.	3 0	3 0	3 3	3 3	3 3	7 3	4 0	4 0	4 0	3 0	3 0	4 0	3 0	3 0	3 0

* Kerkatch.

(b) Burma day.

(a) Not available.

(a) Not reported.

J. C. ROY,
for Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

DAKKA, the 8th May 1920.

List of prices of articles of food at Calcutta during the week ending Saturday, the 8th May 1920.

Names of articles.	WHOLESALE PRICE PER MAUND.		RETAIL PRICE PER MAUND.	
	From—	To—	From—	To—
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Rice—				
Balam, coarse	7 4 0	7 12 0	0 3 3	0 5 6
" medium	8 4 0	9 0 0	0 3 9	0 4 0
Patnai, coarse	7 8 0	8 2 0	0 3 3	0 3 6
" medium	8 3 0	8 6 0	0 3 9	0 4 0
Nagra, coarse	7 12 0	8 2 0	0 3 3	0 3 6
" medium	8 3 0	8 8 0	0 3 9	0 4 0
Dudhkaima	8 5 0	8 10 0	0 3 6	...
Rangoon, Boiled	...	...	0 3 4	...
Kajla	6 4 0	7 0 0	0 3 0	...
Wheat, Dudhia	6 12 0	...	...	...
" Gangajali	...	...	...	...
" Jamali	6 4 0	...	...	...
Gram, Patnai (whole)	6 8 0	7 0 0	0 2 9	0 3 0
" dal	8 6 0	9 4 0	0 3 6	0 4 0
Mung " (Hari)	7 0 0	7 8 0	0 6 0	0 8 0
" " (Krishna)	7 10 0	8 4 0	0 5 0	0 6 0
Arhar	10 8 0	11 0 0	0 4 0	0 5 0
Masur " (split)	6 4 0	6 6 0	0 2 9	0 4 3
" " (Khanri)	9 12 0	10 0 0	0 4 6	0 5 0
Kalai	7 8 0	8 4 0	0 3 0	0 3 6
Salt	2 15 6	3 6 0	0 1 6	0 1 9
Sugar (Brown Java)	29 0 0	31 0 0	0 12 0	0 14 0
Gur, Bheli	...	...	...	...
" Bhursut	9 12 0	10 0 0	0 5 0	...
" Date	...	...	...	...
Milk	8 0 0	12 0 0	0 4 0	0 5 0
Mustard oil	24 0 0	27 8 0	0 11 0	0 13 0
Flour (country)	8 0 0	8 2 0	0 4 0	0 4 6
Atta, No. 3	5 4 0	...	...	...
" " 2½	6 4 0	...	0 3 0	0 4 0
" " B	9 12 0	...	...	...
Suji	9 8 0	10 0 0	0 4 0	0 5 0
Ghee (Bhadwa, Matki, etc.)	...	Not in stock	...	...
" (Patiram, Khurja, Ruto, Etwa, better kind, etc.)	98 0 0	100 0 0	2 10 0	...
" (Lalli, Etwa, Sagar, etc.)	94 0 0	95 0 0	2 8 0	...
Maize	3 0 0	4 0 0	...	...
Potatoes	3 12 0	4 12 0	0 1 6	0 2 0
Patal	5 0 0	5 4 0	0 3 6	0 4 0
Brinjal	1 12 0	2 14 0	0 1 6	0 2 0
Onion	2 12 0	4 0 0	0 1 3	0 1 6
Fish, Rahu	32 0 0	40 0 0	0 14 0	1 4 0
Mutton (2nd class)	...	...	0 10 9	...
Beef (2nd and 3rd classes)	...	...	0 3 0	0 5 0

N.B.—This is an abstract of prices at the following markets:—

Wholesale.—Chella Hat, Ramkrishnapur Hat, Sealdah Fish and Milk Markets, Ponds Bazar.

Retail.—Sir Stuart Hogg Market, Orphanage Market, Sova Bazar, Nutan Bazar, Raja Babu's Bazar, Bow Bazar, Joga Babu's Bazar, Taltolla Bazar.

S. N. GHOSH.

for President, Advisory Food Committee.

CALCUTTA, the 8th May 1920.

**Statement showing the Gauge-readings at Dacca Water-works Station
on the river Buriganga for the week ending the 1st May 1920.**

Date.	A.M.	AT HIGHEST WATER.		AT LOWEST WATER.		P.M.	Remarks.
		Time.	Readings.	Time.	Readings.		
1920.							
25th Apl.	54.3	16-5	54.9	8-50	55.9	54.5	P. T. at 4 and H. T. at 16-15.
26th "	54.6	17-0	55.1	9-50	54.0	55.1	P. T. at 10-15 and H. T. at 17-15.
27th "	55.0	17-50	55.3	11-0	54.05	54.8	P. T. at 11-15 and H. T. at 18-0.
28th "	55.0	6-5	55.55	12-25	54.2	54.6	H. T. at 15-15 and P. T. at 13-40.
29th "	55.3	7-30	55.7	13-50	54.2	54.5	H. T. at 7-40 and P. T. at 14.
30th "	55.2	8-15	55.0	14-55	54.0	54.45	H. T. at 8-35 and P. T. at 15-10.
1st May	55.3	9-10	55.2	16-0	54.9	54.8	H. T. at 9-20 and P. T. at 16-15.

Notable high and low water levels of previous years.

27th August	1906	70.6	Taken at high tide.
5th September	1909	...	...	...	67.86
10th August	1910	...	...	...	69.86
1st "	1911	...	...	...	68.48
18th "	1912	...	...	...	67.18
31st "	1915	69.7	Taken at low tide.
18th "	1916	...	...	...	68.1
18th "	1917	...	...	...	67.1
31st "	1918	...	...	...	69.12
28th February	1907	...	...	...	61.06
15th "	1908	61.06	Taken at low tide.
12th March	1913	...	...	...	61.00
6th "	1914	...	...	...	60.80
22nd February	1915	...	...	...	60.80
1st March	1916	...	...	...	60.80
2nd March	1917	61.0	
21st February	1919	...	...	...	61.40

DACCA,
The 7th May 1920.

BENODE BEHARI RAY,
for Executive Engineer, Dacca Division.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the river Ganges at Rampur-Boalia for the week ending the 8th May 1920.

Date.	Hour.	Height of surface above or below zero—minus sign for those below zero.	Height of surface above mean sea-level according to P. W. D. datum.	Height of surface above mean sea-level on the same date last year according to P. W. D. datum.	Remarks.
1920.					
2nd May	8 A.M.	Zero of gauge is at mean sea level.	36.10	35.06	P. W. D. datum 6.25 feet above Kildarpur old dock sill. B. M. on College step 64.93.
3rd "	8 "		36.10	35.06	
4th "	8 "		36.05	35.06	
5th "	8 "		36.05	35.01	
6th "	8 "		36.05	35.01	
7th "	8 "		36.10	35.01	
8th "	8 "		36.20	35.01	

		Old values.		According to P. W. D. datum.
The previous year	Highest water level.	...	61.79 on 13th September 1919	57.80
Ditto	Lowest "	...	55.51 on 8th May 1919	55.01
Record	Highest "	...	69.25 on 26th August 1879	64.44
Do.	Ditto "	...	69.08 on 9th September 1893	64.27
Do.	Ditto "	...	68.39 on 25th August 1906	63.47
Do.	Ditto "	...	68.21 on 30th August 1906	63.40
Do.	Lowest "	...	37.68 on 25th April 1884	52.52
Do.	Ditto "	...	39.18 on 14th-15th April 1889	53.32
Do.	Ditto "	...	59.02 on 31st-2nd April 1907	54.21
Do.	Ditto "	...	59.29 on 6th-7th May 1908	54.47

N.B.—The gauge readings commenced from the 1st August 1887.

BOALIA:
The 8th May 1920.

S. C. BHATTACHARJI,
for Executive Engineer, Rajshahi Division.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL, IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT.

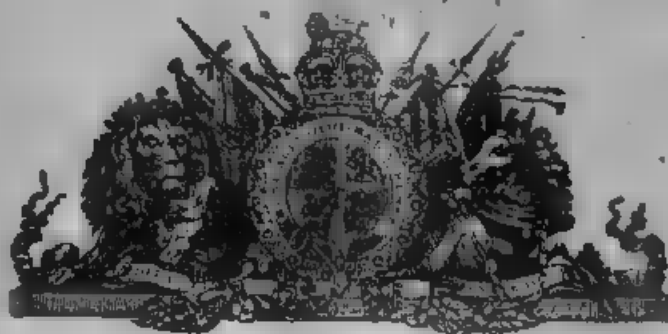
Approximate return of traffic on the Circular and Eastern Canals for the week ending Saturday, the 8th May 1920, as compared with the corresponding week of the previous year.

Nature of cargo.	WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 8TH MAY 1920.			WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 10TH MAY 1919.		
	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tonnage.	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tonnage.
		Mds.	Rs.		Mds.	Rs.
Rice and paddy ...	339	60,350	979	334	100,008	1,497
Jute ...	65	35,837	363	12	5,825	56
Firewood ...	89	54,675	848	64	97,100	583
Other articles ...	815	237,826	2,785	898	216,882	2,728
Total ...	1,308	388,238	4,925	1,168	359,675	4,869
Empty boats and rafts ...	480	...	2,118	373	...	1,383
GRAND TOTAL ...	1,788	388,238	7,044	1,541	359,675	6,252

* Weight by canal measurement ... Mds. 33,995
 † Ditto ditto ... 30,150

CALCUTTA,
 The 11th May 1920.

A. W. DAVIS,
 for Under-Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.



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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, BENGAL.

Final Forecast of the wheat crop of Bengal, 1919-20.

(Note.—On an average of the five years ending 1917-18, the area under wheat in Bengal has represented some 0.4 per cent. of the total area under wheat in India. The ratio of irrigated wheat acreage to total wheat acreage in (a) British India, and (b) in the territory now reported on has, in the five years ending 1917-18, averaged (a) 40.7 per cent. and (b) 17.6 per cent, respectively).

Character of the season.—In the special forecast issued on the 8th April last, the weather was reviewed up to March, when most of the crop was harvested. The subsequent dry weather has been favourable for threshing.

Area sown.—The total area sown this year is estimated at 116,100 acres against 114,600 acres (revised) last year.

Outturn.—The estimated percentages of outturn as returned by the district officers in the important wheat-growing districts are as follows :—
Nadia 67, Murshidabad 75, Pabna 50 and Malda 90.

The provincial outturn works out to 78 per cent. of the normal against 61 per cent. last year.

Taking the normal yield to be $8\frac{1}{2}$ maunds per acre, the total yield for the province is estimated at 28,300 tons against 21,800 tons last year.

At the end of April, the average wholesale price of wheat at the principal marts of the province was Rs. 6-15 per maund or about the same as at the corresponding period of last year and about 38 per cent. higher than at the same period in 1918. The average wholesale price of common rice at the principal marts, on the other hand, was Rs. 7-6 per maund at the end of April this year or about 15 and 114 per cent. higher than the prices ruling at the corresponding period last year and in the year preceding respectively.

R. S. FINLOW,

Offg. Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

Dacca,

The 14/4 May 1920.

APPENDIX I.

Final Forecast of the Wheat Crop of Bengal, 1919-20.

District.*	Approximate normal area under the wheat crop.	Approximate area under wheat last year (1918-19).	Estimated area under wheat this year (1919-20).	Taking 100 to represent normal what would be the average culture per acre cropped.		Date by which the harvesting of the crop generally commenced this year and whether that date was early, normal or late.	Remarks by District Officers.
				Last year.	This year.		
Medinipur	39,100	2,400	11,750	31	67	End of February Normal.	The weather has not been favourable. Much damage was done by drought during the period of growth and subsequently by rain.
Mirzapur	60,300	25,600	24,400	40	75	March. Normal.	Drought at the period of growth and subsequently heavy showers and hailstorms in March caused damage to the extent of about 75 per cent. Since the submission of the special forecast, the weather was favourable.
Moynati	9,300	2,100	900	36	50	March.	Drought in December and January and heavy rain in February and March have reduced the culture by about 50 per cent. Harvesting was completed in March.
Norden	2,000	2,000	2,000	38	67	Middle of March. Normal.	Great damage has been done to the crop in the Kalia subdivision by drought and by hailstorms in the Kalia subdivision.
Shibpur	1,000	4,100	4,100	47	88	End of March. Normal.	The weather has been fair.
Bankura	2,600	2,600	2,600	47	100	Middle of February. Normal.	The weather has been good and a normal crop has been reaped.
Midnapore	900	1,300	1,000	70	75	Middle of March. Normal.	Since the submission of the special forecast, the weather has been favourable. The absence of rainfall at sowing time damaged about 35 per cent. of the crop.
Hughly	2,600	1,700	1,700	66	67	End of March. Normal.	The weather has not been favourable owing to heavy rain during the harvesting. Drought and heavy rain in the Arambagh subdivision damaged about 33 per cent. of the crop.
Rajshahi	6,500	6,500	6,500	70	67	Middle of March. Normal.	The weather has not been favourable. The culture is much below the normal owing to drought.
Dinajpur	1,400	1,300	1,300	40	61	First week of March. Normal.	Since the submission of the special forecast, the weather has been fair. The culture has fallen much below the normal for want of sufficient rainfall.
Jalpaiguri	600	300	300	34	75	End of March. Normal.	The effects of weather have not been favourable. The crop was damaged by the hailstorm in the Alipur subdivision. The culture is below the normal owing to long continued drought and to damage by hailstorm.
Barisal	4,500	2,500	2,500	100	100	1st April. Normal.	The weather has been a favourable one.
Rangpur	2,000	2,400	2,400	60	50	Beginning of March. Normal.	The weather was favourable at the time of sowing, but subsequently want of moisture owing to drought affected the culture unfavourably. Afterwards the light rain that fell improved the prospects of the crop. A little damage was also done by rain and hail.
Hooghly	100	100	300	...	33	Middle of March. Normal.	The culture was a little better than what was anticipated in the special forecast.
Bahga	16,000	12,400	10,000	60	50	March.	Since the submission of the special forecast, the weather was favourable on the whole. About half the crop has been damaged by drought during the period of growth and by subsequent heavy rain with hailstorm.
Malda	60,000	25,000	25,000	45	70	First week of March. Normal.	The weather has been favourable. Slight damage has been done by hailstorm. The culture is below the normal owing to unfavourable weather at sowing time.
Dacca	6,100	2,300	2,100	75	70	Middle of March. Normal.	Damage to the extent of about 50 per cent. was caused by excessive rainfall and hailstorm in the last part of February and first part of March.
Baridpur	2,700	2,700	2,700	67	75	Beginning of April.	The weather has been favourable in the growth of the crop, but owing to excessive rain and hailstorm after the submission of the special forecast the crop was affected to the extent of about 4 per cent.
Total Bengal	392,700	114,400	114,100	61	73		

* Conventional Area.

† Revised on the basis of settlement figures.

APPENDIX II.

Abstract statement of the estimated acreage and output of the wheat crop of Bengal, 1919-20.

Province.	AREA (IN ACRES).						YIELD (IN TONS).							
	Of current year's crop (1919-20).	Of previous year's crop (1918-19).	Average of preceding—	Percentage by which column 3 exceeds (+), or is less than (—), area in—		Estimated yield of current year, i.e., of area in column 3.	Yield of previous year, i.e., of area in column 3.	Average of preceding—	Percentage by which column 7 exceeds (+), or is less than (—), yield in—					
				Column 4.	Column 5.				Column 8.	Column 9.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11				
			Five years.	Ten years.	Five years.	Ten years.		Five years.	Ten years.	Five years.	Ten years.			
Bengal	116,304	114,400	132,800	136,100	+11	-18	-14	26,300	27,600	28,300	28,400	+24	-27	-20

**MONTHLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT OF BENGAL
FOR APRIL 1920.**

I. **Character of the season.**—Excepting in the districts of Rangpur and Mymensingh, where it was a little in excess of the normal, the rainfall during the month was in defect throughout the Province. The usual rainfall statement is appended.

II. **Progress of agricultural operations.**—Harvesting of spring crops was almost finished. Preparatory tillage for jute, paddy and other autumn crops was proceeding in some West Bengal districts, the progress being slow in places owing to want of sufficient rain. Sowings of jute and lowland paddy were progressing satisfactorily; the operation was well advanced in Eastern Bengal during the latter half of the month where weeding had also commenced.

III. **State of standing crops.**—Summer rice and other standing crops suffered from rain, accompanied in places with hail, in the districts of Midnapore, Rangpur, Dacca, Mymensingh, Tippera and Noakhali; elsewhere the standing crops were in fairly good condition, though a little more rain would have much facilitated their growth in the West Bengal districts.

IV. **Prospects and probable outputs.**—The prospects of standing crops were generally hopeful. The spring oilseed crops for the Province have yielded an outturn of about 76 per cent. of the normal and the wheat crop about 78 per cent.

V. **Damage to standing crops.**—Some damage to summer rice and other standing crops by rain and hail was reported from parts of Midnapore, Rangpur, Dacca, Mymensingh, Tippera and Noakhali.

VI. **Condition of agricultural stock.**—Excepting in the districts of Jessore, Burdwan, Bankura, Howrah, Bogra, Dacca, Faridpur, Chittagong and the Chittagong Hill Tracts, cattle-disease was reported from most parts of the Province.

VII. **Failure of pasturage and fodder.**—The supply of fodder was sufficient throughout the Province.

VIII. **Prices of food-grains.**—During the second fortnight of the month under review, the prices of common rice of the cheapest quality rose in nineteen districts, fell in one only and remained stationary in the rest of the Province varying from 5 seers at Darjeeling, Tippera and Noakhali to 6 seers 12 chittaks at Birbhum.

IX. **Condition of agricultural population.**—The condition of agricultural people was fair.

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Offg. Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

Dacca, the 15th May 1920.

Statement showing the normal and actual rainfall in each district during April 1920.

Divisions.	Districts.	Normal district rainfall for the month of April.	Actual district rainfall for the month of April 1920.	Variation from the normal.	Divisions.	Districts.	Normal district rainfall for the month of April.	Actual district rainfall for the month of April 1920.	Variation from the normal.
		Inches.	Inches.	Inches.			Inches.	Inches.	Inches.
Presidency	24-Mergansas	1.94	0.71	-1.23	Rajshahi—	Bangpur	2.12	2.22	+0.10
	Chancha	21.22	0.04	-20.18		Bogra	2.22	2.12	-0.10
	Sadia	2.96	0.22	-2.74		Pabna	2.22	1.01	-1.21
	Murshidabad	1.22	0.22	-1.00		Maldah	2.12	0.12	-2.00
	Jessore	2.22	0.22	-2.00	Dacca	Dacca	2.22	2.24	+0.02
Burdwan	Khulna	2.22	0.22	-2.00		Mymensingh	2.22	2.21	-0.01
	Burdwan	1.22	0.22	-1.00		Faridpur	2.22	2.22	0.00
	Birbhum	1.22	0.22	-1.00		Rangpur	2.22	2.22	0.00
	Bankura	1.22	0.22	-1.00	Chittagong	Chittagong	2.22	2.22	0.00
	Midnapore	1.22	0.22	-1.00		Tippera	2.22	2.22	0.00
Rajshahi	Howrah	2.11	0.21	-1.90		Noakhali	2.22	2.22	0.00
	Rajshahi	1.22	0.22	-1.00		Chittagong Hill Tracts	2.22	2.22	0.00
	Malda	1.22	0.22	-1.00		Cooch Behar	2.22	2.22	0.00
	Jalpaiguri	2.22	2.22	0.00					
	Darjeeling	2.22	2.22	0.00					

*List of prices of articles of food at Calcutta during the week ending
Saturday, the 15th May 1920.*

Names of articles.	WHOLESALE PRICE PER MAUND.		RETAIL PRICE PER SEER.	
	From—	To—	From—	To—
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Rice—				
Balam, coarse ...	7 8 0	8 0 0	0 3 3	0 3 6
" medium ...	8 0 0	8 9 0	0 3 9	0 4 0
Patnai, coarse ...	7 8 0	8 2 0	0 3 3	0 3 6
" medium ...	8 3 0	8 6 0	0 3 9	0 4 0
Nagra, coarse ...	7 12 0	8 2 0	0 3 3	0 3 6
" medium ...	8 3 0	8 8 0	0 3 9	0 4 0
Dudhkalma ...	8 5 0	8 10 0	0 3 6	...
Rangoon Boiled ...	...	...	0 3 1 1/4	0 3 3
Kajla ...	6 14 0	7 1 0	0 3 0	...
Wheat, Dudhja ...	6 9 0	...	...	...
" Gangajali ...	...	...	...	...
" Jamali ...	6 4 0	...	...	...
Gram, Patnai (whole) ...	6 8 0	6 14 0	0 2 9	0 3 0
" dal ...	8 4 0	9 0 0	0 3 6	0 4 0
Mung " (Hari) ...	7 0 0	7 4 0	0 4 0	0 5 0
" " (Krishna) ...	7 8 0	8 8 0	0 5 0	0 8 0
Arhar " ...	11 0 0	11 8 0	0 3 6	0 5 0
Masur " (split) ...	6 3 0	6 8 0	0 2 9	0 4 6
" " (Khanri) ...	9 8 0	10 0 0	0 4 3	0 5 0
Kalai " ...	7 14 0	8 8 0	0 3 0	0 3 6
Salt ...	2 15 6	3 6 0	0 1 6	0 1 9
Sugar (Brown Java) ...	32 0 0	33 0 0	0 13 0	0 15 0
Gur, Bheli ...	...	...	...	...
" Bhursut ...	9 12 0	...	0 5 0	0 0 6
" Date ...	...	...	...	...
Milk ...	8 0 0	11 0 0	0 3 0	0 3 0
Mustard oil ...	24 0 0	28 0 0	0 11 0	0 12 0
Flour (country) ...	8 0 0	8 4 0	0 4 0	...
Atta, No. 3 ...	5 12 0	...	...	...
" " 2 1/2 ...	6 4 0	...	0 3 6	0 4 6
" " B ...	9 10 0	...	...	...
Suji ...	9 8 0	10 0 0	0 4 0	0 5 0
Ghee (Bhadwa, Matki, etc.) ...	Not in stock		...	...
" (Patiram, Khurja, Ruto, Etwa, better kind, etc.) ...	98 0 0	101 0 0	2 10 0	...
" (Lalli, Etwa, Sagar, etc.) ...	96 0 0	97 0 0	2 8 0	...
Maize ...	3 8 0	4 4 0	...	...
Potatoes ...	4 0 0	5 0 0	0 1 6	0 2 6
Patal ...	5 0 0	5 8 0	0 4 0	0 5 0
Brinjal ...	2 0 0	3 0 0	0 2 0	0 2 6
Onion ...	3 0 0	4 8 0	0 1 6	0 2 0
Fish, Rahu ...	32 0 0	35 0 0	0 15 0	1 2 0
Mutton (2nd class) ...	...	...	0 10 0	...
Beef (2nd and 3rd classes) ...	...	...	0 3 0	0 5 0

N.B.—This is an abstract of prices at the following markets :—

Wholesale.—Chetla Hat, Ramkrishnapur Hat, Sealdah Fish and Milk Markets, Posta Bazar.

Retail.—Sir Stuart Hogg Market, Orphananj Market, Sovu Bazar, Naton Bazar, Raja Babu's Bazar, Bow Bazar, Jogu Babu's Bazar, Taltolia Bazar.

S. C. GHOSH,

for Commissioner, Presidency Divn.

CALCUTTA, the 15th May 1920.

DISTRICT REPORTS ON WEATHER AND CROPS.

For the week ending on the 13th May 1920.

Summary.—The rainfall during the week was generally heavy in the Dacca and Chittagong divisions and light to moderate elsewhere. It has improved the prospects of standing crops especially in the Eastern and Northern Bengal districts and has facilitated the ploughing and sowing of jute and autumn paddy in the Western Bengal districts. Weeding of jute and autumn paddy is proceeding satisfactorily in the Eastern Bengal districts. The average price of common rice for the province has risen by about 2.67 per cent. as compared with that of the previous week.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN SEER, PER RUPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, &c.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
1	24-PARGANAS	1.30	5½	5½	Sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute crops continues. The effects of rain on the crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Diamond Harbour.	(n)	(n)	(n)	
	Barrackpore	1.09	5	5	
	Burramat ...	1.50	5½	5½	
	Basirhat ...	0.59	5½	5½	
2	NADIA ...	3.60	5½	5½	Sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute continues briskly. The recent rain did much good to cultivation. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Alamdanga and Gangant.
	Kushtia ...	2.41	5	5	
	Meherpur ...	2.70	5½	5½	
	Ohuadanga...	2.28	6	6	
	Ranaghat ...	(n)	(n)	5½	
3	MURSHIDABAD	0.87	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are favourable. The recent rain has done good to the standing crops. Sowing of <i>bhadol</i> crops has commenced. Fodder is sufficient. There is no large import or export.
	Lalbagh ...	1.13	5½	(n)	
	Jangipur ...	0.56	6½	6½	
	Kandi ...	1.26	6	6½	
4	JESSORE ...	2.27	6	{ 6 6" }	The recent rain has facilitated the sowing operations. Fodder is sufficient. Import or export as usual. Cattle-disease is reported from Harinakunda police-station in Jhenidah subdivision.
	Jhenidah ...	2.90	5½	6	
	Magura ...	3.51	5	5½	
	Narail ...	5.20	4½	5	
	Bangaon ...	1.82	5½	5½	
5	KHULNA ...	3.25	4½	5½	Cultivation of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute is in progress. More rain is required for jute and <i>aus</i> paddy cultivation. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Kalaroa and Sarankhola police-stations.
	Satkhira ...	2.83	4½	5	
	Bagerhat ...	2.68	{ 5 7" }	{ 5½ 7" }	

* Burma rice.

(n) Not reported.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE IN SERIES, PER ROPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
6	BURDWAN ...	Inches. 0.33	5	5	Weather very hot. Ploughing of lands for jute and <i>aus</i> paddy continues.
	Asansol ...	0.20	6½	6½	
	Katwa ...	1.86	5½	5½	
	Kalna ...	0.55	4½	4½	
7	BIRBHUM ...	1.46	6½	6½	Standing crops are doing well. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Rampurhat...	0.56	6½	6½	
8	BANKURA ...	0.80	6	6	Manuring of fields continues. No large export or import of rice or paddy.
	Visnupur...	0.70	6	6	
9	MIDNAPORE...	1.04	5½	5½	Sowing of autumn rice is progressing. Prospects of tobacco, late cotton and <i>rabi til</i> are fair. Fodder is sufficient.
	Ghatal ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Tamluk ...	Nil	4½	4½	
	Contai ...	0.81	6	6	
10	HOOGHLY ...	0.25	5	5	Effects of weather on the growth of the crops are favourable. Fodder is sufficient. Price of rice is rising at Arambagh.
	Serampore ...	0.95	5½	5	
	Arambagh ...	1.48	5½	5½	
11	HOWRAH ...	0.52	5½	6½	Weather hot with high wind. Sowing of paddy continues and that of jute has commenced. Condition of sugarcane is good. Fodder is sufficient.
	Ulubaria ...	0.18	5	5	
12	RAJSHAHI (RAMPUR-BOALIA).	0.61	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are favourable. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Bagatipara thana.
	Naogaon ...	0.69	5½	6	
	Nator ...	0.66	5½	5½	
13	DINAJPUR ...	2.34	6	6	Sowing of jute and <i>bhadoi</i> paddy is in full swing. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Thakurgaon	1.38	6	6½	
	Balurghat ...	2.05	6½	6½	
14	JALPAIGURI	1.23	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Sowing of jute is almost finished and that of <i>bhadoi</i> paddy is in progress. Cattle-disease is reported from places. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Alipur ...	1.70	5½	5½	

Serial No.	District and subdivisions.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN RUPEES, PER RUPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
15	DARJEELING	2.03	5½	5½	Wheat and barley are being harvested. Potatoes and maize are progressing. Stocks of rice, fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is prevalent at places.
	Kurseong ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Siliguri ...	(n)	(n)	6	
	Kalimpong...	0.92	5½	5½	
16	RANGPUR ...	2.74	5	5½	Sowing of aus paddy and jute is over. Weeding is in progress. The price of rice shows an upward tendency. Stocks of rice, fodder and water are sufficient.
	Nilphamari	3.12	5	5½	
	Kurigram ...	6.26	5½	5½	
	Gaibandha...	1.10	5½	5½	
17	BOGRA ...	2.38	6½	5½	Weeding of jute and ploughing for and sowing of aus paddy continue.
18	PABNA ...	2.96	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are good. The recent rain will do much good to the crops. Cattle-disease is reported from Kamarkhonda in Sirajganj. Fodder is sufficient.
	Sirajganj ...	2.49	4½	5	
19	MALDA ...	1.71	6	6½	Sowing of <i>bhadoi</i> paddy and jute is nearly finished. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> paddy continues. Fodder and water are sufficient.
20	COOCH BEHAR	3.63	6½	6½	Weather hot and cloudy. Weeding of <i>ditri</i> paddy and jute continues. Rearing of <i>haimanti</i> seeds in nurseries has commenced in places. Cattle-disease is reported from Mathabhanga.
21	DACCA ...	7.03	{ 5 5* }	5	Weather cloudy with strong wind and occasional heavy rainfall. The rainfall has been beneficial to the standing crops. Some of the jute fields are being re-ploughed and sown with jute and <i>aman</i> paddy. Prospects of lowland crops are not very satisfactory. Import of rice at Munshiganj is insufficient. The price of rice is rising.
	Munshiganj...	6.95	4½	5	
	Narayanganj	6.07	5	5	
	Munshiganj (a)	5.09	4½	(n)	
22	MYMENSINGH	5.45	5	5½	Weather hot with occasional heavy showers. The rainfall has caused some damage to the standing crops in the Kishorganj and Netrakona subdivisions. Weeding of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy is still going on. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> paddy is not yet finished. Water and fodder are sufficient.
	Jamalpur ...	4.20	5	5½	
	Tangail ...	1.80	5½	5½	
	Netrakona ...	5.37	5	5	
	Kishorganj...	4.05	5	5½	

* (n) Not reported.

* Burma rice.

(a) Munshiganj being very near to Dacca and Narayanganj, its rainfall statistics are not quoted. To give information regarding the northern part of the district, rainfall figures for Kapasia thana are reported here.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN SEERS, PER RUPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
		Inches.			
23	FARIDPUR ...	4.55	{ 5½ 5½*	{ 5½ 5½*	The rain has been beneficial to the growth of jute and paddy. Weeding has commenced. Sowing of jute and paddy is nearly finished. Prospects of standing crops are hopeful. Fodder is sufficient. The price of rice is rising.
	Goalundo ...	7.61	5½	{ 5½ 6*	
	Madaripur ...	4.43	{ 4½ 5½*	{ 5 5½*	
	Gopalganj (a)	5.60	{ 5 5½*	{ 5 5½*	
24	BAKARGANJ (BARISAL).	3.83	5	5	Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Pirojpur ...	2.95	5	5½	
	Patuakhali ...	3.33	5½	5½	
	Dakshin Shabazpur (Bhola).	(n)	(n)	5	
25	CHITTAGONG	4.32	{ 5½ 5½*	{ 5½ 5½*	Cultivation of <i>aus</i> crop is in progress and harvesting of <i>rabi</i> crops continues. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder is sufficient. <i>Panga</i> salt is selling at 12½ and 8 seers per rupee at Sadar and Cox's Bazar respectively.
	Cox's Bazar	4.88	5½	(n)	
26	TIPPERA (COMILLA).	6.34	4½	5	Weather hot and cloudy. Ploughing for and sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy have been nearly finished. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from Brahmanbaria subdivision.
	Brahmanbaria.	5.19	4½	5	
	Chaudpur ...	3.31	5	5	
27	NOAKHALI	5.62	4½	5	The standing crops have been much benefited by the recent heavy showers. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Chhagalnaya and Pashuram.
	Feni ...	3.59	4½	4½	
28	CHITTAGONG HILL TRACTS.	4.67	5	5	Jhum-burning has been finished, and sowing has begun. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Rangarh.

(a) The rainfall at Haridaspur, which is very near to Gopalganj, is shown here.

* Burma rice.

† Local rice.

(n) Not reported.

J. C. ROY,

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DACCA, the 16th May 1920.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the rivers Ganges and Brahmaputra at Goalundo for the week ending 8th May 1920.

Month and date.	Hour.	Height of surface above or below zero of gauge.	Height of surface above mean sea-level.	Height of surface above mean sea-level on same date last year.	Remarks.
1920.					
2nd May ...	7 A.M.	10.1	10.1	10.6	Zero is placed at mean sea-level. The bench mark for the gauge is on a pucca pillar between the passenger ghât and Chandpur ghât. Its reduced level is 26.84.
3rd " ...	7 "	10.3	10.3	10.8	
4th " ...	7 "	10.4	10.4	10.8	
5th " ...	7 "	10.6	10.6	10.6	
6th " ...	7 "	11.1	11.1	10.4	
7th " ...	7 "	11.8	11.8	10.1	
8th " ...	7 "	12.6	12.6	9.6	

The previous year	...	Highest water-level	...	23.7 on 15th September 1919.
Ditto	...	Lowest	...	5.1 on 24th February 1919.
Record (H.F. in Brahmaputra and Ganges)	...	Highest	...	25.76 on 28th August 1900.
Record (average flood in Brahmaputra and Ganges)	...	Ditto	...	25.74 on 20th and 21st August 1900.
Record (H.F. in Brahmaputra and Ganges)	...	Ditto	...	25.66 on 11th to 17th and 21st August and on 1st to 2nd September 1889.
Record (H.F. in Brahmaputra only)	...	Ditto	...	26.86 on 31st July 1900.
Do.	...	Lowest	...	1.0 on 24th February 1914.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	2.42 on 14th March 1900.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	2.91 on 21st to 24th February and 6th to 8th March 1884.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	8.16 on 26th to 11th March 1885.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	8.10 on 16th, 17th and 20th to 21st March 1901.

N.B.—The gauge-reading commenced from 1st October 1909.

FARIDPUR,
The 10th May 1920.

R. K. GHOSH,
for Subdivisional Officer, P. W. D., Faridpur.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the river Ganges at Rampur-Boalia for the week ending the 15th May 1920.

Date.	Hour.	Height of surface above or below zero—nilous sign for those below zero.	Height of surface above mean sea-level according to P. W. D. datum.	Height of surface above mean sea-level on the same date last year according to P. W. D. datum.	Remarks.
1920.					
9th May ...	8 A.M.	Zero of gauge is at mean sea level.	36.15	35.08	P. W. D. datum 5.25 feet above Kāḍerpur old dock sill. B. M. on Collage step 64.98.
10th " ...	8 "		36.20	35.08	
11th " ...	8 "		36.30	35.21	
12th " ...	8 "		36.40	35.21	
13th " ...	8 "		36.50	35.21	
14th " ...	8 "		36.60	35.16	
15th " ...	8 "		36.60	35.21	

			Old value.	According to P. W. D. datum.
The previous year	...	Highest water level	...	61.29 on 13th September 1919.
Ditto	...	Lowest	...	23.61 on 6th May 1914.
Record	...	Highest	...	69.26 on 26th August 1879.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	62.03 on 25th September 1886.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	60.20 on 25th August 1906.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	58.21 on 26th August 1890.
Do.	...	Lowest	...	37.68 on 26th April 1884.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	38.13 on 14th-15th April 1883.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	39.02 on 21st-22nd April 1897.
Do.	...	Ditto	...	39.23 on 6th-7th May 1908.

N.B.—The gauge readings commenced from the 1st August 1887.

BOALIA :
The 15th May 1920.

J. N. ROY,
Executive Engineer, Rajshahi Division.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL, IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT.

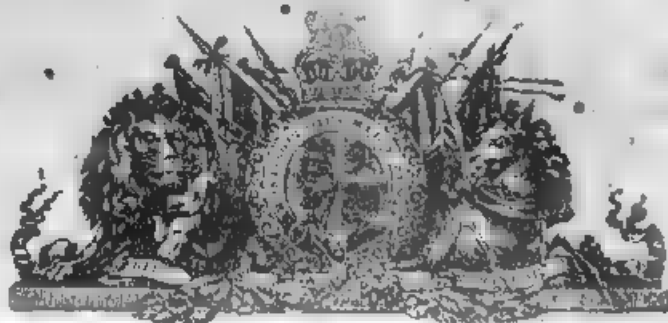
Approximate return of traffic on the Circular and Eastern Canals for the week ending Saturday, the 15th May 1920, as compared with the corresponding week of the previous year.

Nature of cargo.	WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 15TH MAY 1920.			WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 17TH MAY 1919.		
	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.
		Mds.	Rs.		Mds.	Rs.
Rice and paddy ...	146	84,905	562	374	99,600	1,515
Jute ...	45	27,950 ^a	255	17	13,850 [†]	135
Firewood ...	81	21,300	372	75	53,300	800
Other articles ...	464	161,724	1,708	708	220,073	2,806
Total ...	686	246,479	2,897	1,174	386,823	5,056
Empty boats and rafts ...	294	...	1,197	435	...	1,570
GRAND TOTAL ...	979	246,479	4,094	1,609	386,823	6,626

^a Weight by canal measurement ... Mds. 81,000
[†] Ditto 41416 ... Mds. 19,374

CALCUTTA,
The 18th May 1920.

G. J. ST. C. SEDGLEY,
Under-Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.



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LIBERALITY OF BABU CHHATU LAL AGARWALA OF BHUSHIRBANDAR.

No. 70T.-M., dated Darjeeling, the 15th May 1920.

From—THE HON'BLE MR. L. S. S. O'MALLEY, C.I.E., I.C.S., Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal, Municipal Department.

To—The Commissioner of the Rajshahi Division.

WITH reference to your letter No. 191P.W., dated the 14th April 1920, reporting that a *Dharmasala* has been constructed by Babu Chhatu Lal Agarwala of Bhushirbandar, police-station Chirirbandar, district Dinajpur, at Ganeshtala, in the town of Dinajpur, at a cost of Rs. 22,000, I am directed to request that the thanks of Government may be communicated to him for his liberality and public spirit.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE SALT MARKET FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF THE YEAR 1919-20.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Separate Revenue Branch (Salt).

No. 15758.R.

Dated Calcutta, the 18th May 1920.

THE following report on the state of the salt market for the fourth quarter of the year 1919-20, comprising the months of January, February and March 1920, in the Presidency of Bengal, is published for general information.

2. The quantity of salt of every description cleared during the quarter amounted to 2,983,385 maunds (including 2,006,703 maunds issued under the credit system), as compared with 3,433,050 maunds (including 2,970,110 maunds issued under the credit system) in the previous quarter and 3,476,150 maunds (including 2,816,033 maunds issued under the credit system) in the corresponding quarter of the previous year. The net amount of duty levied was Rs. 34,20,812 (including Rs. 26,62,253 adjusted under the credit system), as against Rs. 38,09,929 (including Rs. 32,69,780 adjusted under the credit system) in the previous quarter, and Rs. 33,64,657 (including Rs. 25,81,104 adjusted under the credit system) in the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

3. The subjoined Table I shows in detail the importations into the Port of Calcutta and the total clearances of sea-imported salt during the quarter, compared with the figures of the corresponding quarters of the two previous years:—

Table I.

Whence imported.	1917-18.		1918-19.		1919-20.	
	FOURTH QUARTER.		FOURTH QUARTER.		FOURTH QUARTER.	
	Imported.	Cleared.	Imported.	Cleared.	Imported.	Cleared.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
United Kingdom	...	76,841	468,064	331,067	512,101	504,783
Hamburg and Bremen	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port Said	1,324,232	1,062,181	1,115,009	1,180,439	931,671	857,037
Spain	253,953	859,632	170,886	221,140	305,109	268,706
Salit	...	...	...	...	...	...
Aden	894,633	767,264	769,189	642,732	551,120	539,339
Muscat, Linga Hanjam, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rock Salt	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay	...	...	28,539	27,763	261,520	227,669
Madras, Coconada, Visagapatam, Masulipatam, etc.	28,150	28,150	...	...	...	...
Masowah	846,214	412,676	591,365	481,265	392,068	419,470
North Africa (Tunisia), Egypt, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Africa, Mauritius, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...
South Africa (Natal)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Australia (Victoria)	...	46	...	2	...	143
United States of America (Pacific Coast)	...	52	...	241	...	125
Ditto ditto (Atlantic Coast)	...	...	...	...	...	76
Queensland	...	66	...	...	...	25
New South Wales	...	1	...	...	...	30
Straits Settlements	...	6	...	...	...	...
Japan	...	...	...	2	...	...
Holland	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ceylon	...	...	...	...	...	4
Total	2,266,076	2,790,384	3,152,681	3,135,740	29,54,536	2,401,215*

* Inclusive of 2,006,703 maunds of salt issued under the credit system.

Compared with the corresponding quarter of the previous year and the same quarter of 1917-18, importations were less by 6·02 and more by 30·9 per cent., respectively, and clearances were less by 14·5 and 1·66 per cent., respectively. The increased imports from the United Kingdom, Spain, Aden and Bombay, are specially noticeable.

4. Table II shows the quantity of sea-imported salt remaining in the warehouses at the close of the quarter as compared with the preceding four quarters:—

Table II.

Where stored.	Fourth quarter of 1918-19.	First quarter of 1919-20.	Second quarter of 1919-20.	Third quarter of 1919-20.	Fourth quarter of 1919-20.
1	2	3	4	5	6
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Solkes Government Salt <i>golas</i> ...	1,055,801	204,767	319,710	362,690	1,352,867
Chittagong Salt <i>golas</i> ...	235,371	79,499	25,758	69,980	11,427
Narayanganj (private bonded Salt warehouses) ...	27,453	5,865	16,847	16,593	...
Bhairab Bazar (private bonded Salt warehouses) ...	10,000	7,005	2,287	7,342	4,129
Jhalakati (private bonded Salt warehouses)...	23,611	25,155	16,015	5,015	14,605
Madaripur (private bonded Salt warehouses)...	...	415	595	1,953	933
Chandpur (private bonded Salt warehouses)...	2,306	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1,413,942	322,786	389,662	968,553	1,383,861

5. The figures showing the despatches of salt from Calcutta by different routes during the quarter under report will be published as usual in the *Calcutta Gazette* by the Director of Statistics with the Government of India when they are available.

6. No salt was despatched during the quarter by the East Indian Railway to stations beyond Buxar as against *nil* in the previous quarter, and in the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

7. The quantity of saltpetre salt excised in the refineries of Bengal during the quarter was *nil*, as compared with 202 maunds in the previous quarter and *nil* in the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

8. No information was available concerning the shipments of Liverpool salt during the quarter for the Port of Calcutta.

9. Table III shows the average wholesale prices* per 100 maunds of salt at the Port of Calcutta during each fortnight of the quarter:—

Table III.

Description of salt.*	Fortnight ending the 16th Jan. 1920.	Fortnight ending the 31st Jan. 1920.	Fortnight ending the 14th Feb. 1920.	Fortnight ending the 28th Feb. 1920.	Fortnight ending the 14th Mar. 1920.	Fortnight ending the 31st Mar. 1920.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Liverpool <i>panga</i> ...	...	158 0 0	...	158 0 0	158 0 0	158 0 0
Port Said crushed	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0
Bombay <i>karkach</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...
Aden crushed ...	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0
Salif crushed ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spanish <i>karkach</i> ...	...	...	153 0 0	153 0 0	...	153 0 0
Rock <i>karkach</i> ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras salt ...	110 0 0	110 0 0	103 0 0	101 0 0	98 0 0	90 0 0

* The prices are exclusive of the Port Commissioners' special 10% of 4 annas per ton and Customs duty of Rs. 1-6 per maund.

10. The subjoined Table IV shows the average wholesale prices per 100 maunds of salt at the Port of Chittagong during each fortnight of the quarter :—

Table IV.

Description of Salt.	Fortnight ending the 15th January 1920.	Fortnight ending the 31st January 1920.	Fortnight ending the 15th February 1920.	Fortnight ending the 29th February 1920.	Fortnight ending the 15th March 1920.	Fortnight ending the 31st March 1920.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Liverpool panga ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Aden ...	159 8 0	159 6 0	156 4 0	156 4 0	156 4 0	156 4 0
Spanish ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port Said ...	159 8 0	159 6 0	156 4 0	156 4 0	156 4 0	156 4 0
Massawah ...	...	...	...	...	...	...

11. Table V below shows the quantities of sea-imported salt admitted into bond and cleared from bond and shipboard at the Port of Chittagong and at the several inland warehousing stations :—

Table V.

Port or station.	Description of salt.	ADMITTED INTO BOND.		CLEARED FROM BOND AND SHIPBOARD.	
		Fourth quarter of 1919-20.	Fourth quarter of 1919-20.	Fourth quarter of 1919-20.	Fourth quarter of 1919-20.
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Chittagong :	English panga ...	...	...	...	9
	Aden ...	51,723	134,808	58,910	173,423
	Hamburg ...	...	...	...	...
	Spanish ...	...	...	14,405	...
	Port Said ...	110,180	33,294	188,729	65,100
	Massawah ...	...	...	...	...
Naraysanganj :	English panga ...	31,603	16,000	23,679	23,928
	Aden ...	4,000	...	3,960	1,550
	Spanish ...	...	...	1,065	...
	Port Said ...	5,000	...	4,960	1,972
	Massawah ...	5,000	5,000	4,950	6,904
Jhalakati :	English panga ...	18,100	50,000	21,110	21,410
	Spanish ...	3,100	...	3,069	...
	Port Said ...	3,100	...	3,106	...
	Massawah ...	...	3,100	...	3,100
	Aden ...	...	...	...	...
Bhairab Bazar :	English panga ...	10,000	...	...	3,500
	Spanish ...	...	...	...	...
Madaripur :	English panga ...	...	1,200	...	1,176
	Spanish ...	...	...	...	...
	Port Said ...	...	...	...	...
Chandpur :	English panga ...	...	...	...	...
	Aden ...	3,100	...	3,072	...
	Spanish ...	...	...	...	...
	Port Said ...	3,500	...	3,405	...
	Total ...	254,411	222,402	340,410	302,072

As compared with the corresponding quarter of the previous year, the quantities admitted into bond and cleared from bond and shipboard were less by 12.5 per cent. and 11.2 per cent., respectively.

By order of the Governor in Council,

A. MARR,
Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal.

DISTRICT REPORTS ON WEATHER AND CROPS.

For the week ending on the 26th May 1920.

Summary.—The rainfall was light and scattered. More rain is needed for agricultural operations and for standing crops, especially on high lands. Sowing of jute and low land paddy is still proceeding in West Bengal districts, while it is nearly finished in North and East Bengal. Sugarcane is doing well. The average price of common rice for the province has risen by about 2·34 per cent, as compared with that of the previous week.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE IN SEER, PER RUPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	24-PARGANAS	Inches. 0·12	5½	5½	Sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute crops continues. Agricultural operations are being retarded in the Diamond Harbour subdivision for insufficient rain. Cattle-disease is reported from Barasat subdivision. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Diamond Harbour.	1·40	5½	(n)	
	Barrackpore	2·06	5	5	
	Barasat ...	1·42	5½	5½	
	Basirhat ...	0·77	5½	5½	
2	NADIA ...	0·10	5½	5½	Sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute continues. More rain is wanted for cultivation of crops. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Gangani.
	Kushia ...	0·63	5	5	
	Meherpur ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Chuadanga...	(n)	(n)	6	
	Ranaghat ...	Nil	5½	(n)	
3	MURSHIDABAD	0·50	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are favourable. Sowing of jute and other <i>bhadai</i> crops continues. Fodder is sufficient. There is no large import or export.
	Lalbagh ...	1·31	5½	5½	
	Jangipur ...	1·45	6½	6½	
	Kandi ...	Nil	6	6	
4	JESSORE ...	1·11	5½	6	Sowing of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy is going on. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> paddy is nearly finished. Fodder is sufficient. Import or export as usual.
	Jhenidah ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Magura ...	0·32	5	5	
	Narail ...	1·35	4½	4½	
	Bangaon ...	0·84	5½	5½	
5	KHULNA ...	Nil	4½	4½	Sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute has commenced. More rain is required for jute and <i>aus</i> paddy cultivation. Fodder is sufficient.
	Satkhira ...	0·46	5	4½	
	Bagerhat ...	0·16	5 7°	5 7°	

° Burma rice.

(n) Not reported.

Serial No.	District and subdivision	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in annas, per mook.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
6	BURDWAN ...	Inches. 1·96	5½	5	Weather hot and cloudy. Ploughing and manuring of fields are going on. Jute plants are suffering in places for want of moisture. More rain is urgently wanted for agricultural operation.
	Asansol ...	0·12	6½	6½	
	Kaiwa ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Kalna ...	Nil	4½	4½	
7	BIRBHUM ...	Nil	6½	6½	Standing crops are doing well. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Rampurhat...	Nil	6½	6½	
8	BANKURA ...	Nil	5½	6	Manuring of fields continues. No large export or import of rice or paddy.
	Visnupur...	0·05	6	6	
9	MIDNAPORE...	0·97	5½	5½	Sowing of autumn rice is progressing. Prospects of jute, late cotton and <i>rabi</i> <i>til</i> are fair. Fodder is sufficient.
	Ghatal ...	1·62	5½	5½	
	Tamluk ...	1·68	4½	4½	
	Contai ...	1·78	5½	6	
10	HOOGHLY ...	2·33	5	5	Effects of weather on the growth of the crops are favourable. Fodder is sufficient. Price of rice is rising at Serampore.
	Serampore ...	0·73	5	5½	
	Arambagh ...	1·93	5½	5½	
11	HOWRAH ...	1·01	5	5½	Weather hot. Sowing of paddy and jute continues. Condition of sugarcane is good. Fodder is sufficient.
	Ulubaria ...	0·76	5	5	
12	RAJBHARI (RAMPUR-BOALIA).	Nil	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are favourable. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Bagatipara thana.
	Naogaon ...	0·25	5½	5½	
	Nator ...	Nil	5½	5½	
13	DINAJPUR ...	Nil	5½	6	Sowing of jute and <i>bhadoi</i> paddy is in full swing. More rain is wanted. Rice market is rising at Sadar subdivision. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Thakurgaon	0·05	6	6	
	Balurghat ...	0·15	6½	6½	
14	JALPAIGURI	1·09	5	5½	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Sowing of jute is finished and that of <i>bhadoi</i> paddy is in progress. Export of paddy is going on, hence the prices are rising. Cattle-disease is reported from tea estate.
	Alipur ...	2·64	5½	5½	

Serial No.	District and subdivisions.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN RUPEES PER MUPKE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
15	DARJEELING	1.75	5½	5½	Wheat and barley are being harvested. Potatoes and maize are progressing. Stocks of rice, fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is prevalent at places.
	Kurseong ...	0.16	5	5½	
	Siliguri ...	0.46	6	(n)	
	Kalimpong...	0.28	5½	5½	
16	RANGPUR ...	0.90	5	5	Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Nilphamari	0.90	5½	5	
	Kurigram ...	0.55	5½	5½	
	Gaibandha...	0.08	5½	5½	
17	BOGRA ...	Nil	5½	6½	Weeding of jute and ploughing for and sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy continue.
18	PABNA ...	0.22	5	5½	Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder is sufficient.
	Sirajganj ...	(n)	(n)	4½	
19	MALDA ...	Nil	5½	6	Sowing of <i>bhadai</i> paddy and jute is nearly finished. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> paddy continues. Standing <i>bhadai</i> paddy and jute are suffering from drought. Fodder and water are sufficient.
20	COOCH BEHAR	3.73	6½	6½	Weather hot and cloudy. Sowing of jute and <i>bitri</i> paddy has been finished, weeding continues. Prospects and condition of standing crops are favourable. Cattle-disease is reported from Muthabhangh. Fodder is sufficient.
21	DACCA ...	1.37	4½ 5°	5 5°	Weather hot and fair. Weeding, re-ploughing and re-sowing of jute fields and sowing of paddy are going on. Condition and prospects of jute and paddy except in low-lying lands are good. The price of rice is increasing day by day. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Manikganj...	0.90	4½	4½	
	Narayanganj	1.28	4½	5	
	Munshiganj (a)	(n)	4½	4½	
22	MYMENSINGH	1.38	4½	5	Weather seasonable with occasional showers. Weeding of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy is still going on. The outturn of <i>boro</i> paddy and the prospects of standing crops are fair. Water and fodder are sufficient. The price of rice is gradually rising. Cattle-disease is reported from Jamalpur.
	Jamalpur ...	Nil	4½	5	
	Tangail ...	Nil	4½	5½	
	Netrakona ...	1.30	4½	5	
	Kishorganj...	4.60	5	5	

(n) Not reported.

° Barua rice.

(a) Munshiganj being very near to Dacca and Narayanganj, its rainfall statistics are not quoted. To give information regarding the northern part of the district, rainfall figures for Kapasia thana are reported here.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	PRICE OF COMMON RICE, IN SEERS, PER RUPEE.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
		Inches.			
23	FARIDPUR ...	2.59	{ 4½ 5½ }	{ 5½ 5½ }	Weeding of jute and paddy continues. Prospects of standing crops are hopeful. Fodder is sufficient.
	Goalundo ..	0.39	5½	5½	
	Madaripur ...	0.85	4½	{ 4½ 5½ }	
	Gopalganj (a)	0.52	{ 4½ 5½ }	{ 5 5½ }	
24	BAKARGANJ (BAHISAL).	1.59	4½	5	Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from a village in Patuakhali.
	Pirojpur ...	0.20	4½	5	
	Patuakhali ...	0.40	5	5½	
	Dakshin Shabazpur (Bhoira).	4.05	4½	(n)	
25	CHITTAGONG	2.62	{ 4½† 5½ }	{ 5† 5½ }	Cultivation of <i>aus</i> crop and harvesting of <i>rabi</i> crops are in progress. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder is sufficient. <i>Panga</i> salt is selling at 12 and 8 seers per rupee at Sadar and Cox's Bazar respectively.
	Cox's Bazar	1.28	5†	5†	
26	TIPPERA (COMILLA).	Nil	4½	4½	Sowing of <i>aus</i> paddy and jute is going on. Standing crops are improving.
	Brahmanbaria.	1.80	4½	4½	
	Chandpur ...	Nil	{ 5 5½ }	{ 5 5 }	
27	NOAKHALI	2.64	4½	4½	Prospects of standing crops are favourable. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Ohhagalnaya and Senbag.
	Feni ...	2.50	4½	4½	
28	CHITTAGONG HILL TRACTS.	1.10	5	5	Sowing of <i>jhum</i> continues. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Ramgarh.

(a) The rainfall at Faridapur, which is very near to Gopalganj, is shown here.

* Burma rice.

† Local rice.

(n) Not reported.

J. C. ROY,

for Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

Dacca, the 23rd May 1920.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of May 1920.

Marts.	PADDY (BEST QUALITY).						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	4 4 0	4 4 0	4 0 0	3 12 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 4 0
Chota Hat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan	3 0 0	3 0 0	4 0 0	1 10 0	2 5 0	2 0 0	2 14 0
Kalna	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Raniganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore	4 3 0	4 4 0	4 4 0	1 12 0	2 4 0	2 0 0	2 10 0
Chittagong	(a)	4 4 0	4 0 0	(a)	2 0 0	2 14 0	2 10 0
Chandpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca	5 4 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	2 4 0	4 0 0
Narayanagar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madaripur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fahra	4 5 0	4 5 0	4 0 0	2 3 0	2 11 0	2 0 0	3 0 0
Sirajganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur	4 0 0	3 12 0	4 0 0	1 10 0	2 14 0	2 4 0	2 0 0

Marts.	PADDY (COMMON QUALITY).						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	3 12 0	3 12 0	3 10 0	3 4 0	2 10 0	2 0 0	2 0 0
Chota Hat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan	4 0 0	2 0 0	3 14 0	1 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	0 3 0
Kalna	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Raniganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore	3 12 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	1 7 0	2 2 0	3 10 0	2 10 0
Chittagong	4 5 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	(a)	2 0 0	2 10 0	2 10 0
Chandpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca	5 0 0	4 4 0	4 0 0	1 10 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 4 0
Narayanagar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madaripur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fahra	4 4 0	4 4 0	4 0 0	1 12 0	2 7 0	3 0 0	2 4 0
Sirajganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur	4 0 0	3 12 0	3 10 0	1 4 0	2 10 0	2 10 0	2 4 0

(a) No sale.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of May 1920.

Marts.	RICE (BEST QUALITY).						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	9 3 0	7 0 0	9 0 0	6 6 0	7 0 0	7 12 0	7 8 0
Obach H&C							
Burdwan	9 0 0	9 0 0	8 2 0	4 8 0	5 6 0	6 2 0	6 12 0
Kalcut							
Kaulganj							
Midnapore	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	3 3 0	4 12 0	5 12 0	5 2 0
Chittagong	11 0 0	12 0 0	12 0 0	7 8 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	8 0 0
Chandpur							
Decca	3 0 0	3 0 0	7 3 0	4 0 0	5 12 0	6 0 0	7 0 0
Narayanganj							
Mymensingh							
Madaripur							
Pabna	11 0 0	11 0 0	9 0 0	3 3 0	7 0 0	7 0 0	8 0 0
Sirajganj							
Rangpur	3 0 0	3 0 0	8 0 0	4 3 0	5 4 0	6 0 0	7 3 0

Marts.	RICE (COMMON QUALITY).						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	2 4 0	6 4 0	7 0 0	4 8 0	5 10 0	6 0 0	2 4 0
Chitla H&C							
Burdwan	7 5 0	7 4 0	7 3 0	2 15 0	3 6 0	2 4 0	5 2 0
Kalcut							
Kaulganj							
Midnapore	6 12 0	7 0 0	8 3 0	2 14 0	4 4 0	4 12 0	4 12 0
Chittagong	3 0 0	7 3 0	2 0 0	2 6 0	3 4 0	5 0 0	4 8 0
Chandpur							
Decca	3 0 0	7 3 0	7 4 0	3 0 0	5 4 0	2 12 0	5 12 0
Narayanganj							
Mymensingh							
Madaripur							
Pabna	7 5 0	7 2 0	6 11 0	3 2 0	4 5 0	6 2 0	5 2 0
Sirajganj							
Rangpur	7 0 0	7 0 0	7 5 0	2 12 0	4 12 0	5 0 0	5 10 0

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of May 1920.

Marts.	WHEAT.						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	8 0 0	8 0 0	7 0 0	8 2 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Chota Haat	8 0 0	8 0 0	(a)	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Burdwan	8 0 0	8 4 0	(a)	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Kalna	8 0 0	8 4 0	(a)	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Baigunj	8 0 0	8 4 0	(a)	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Midnapore	8 0 0	8 4 0	10 0 0	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Chittagong	8 0 0	8 4 0	10 0 0	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Chandpur	8 0 0	8 4 0	10 0 0	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Dacca	8 0 0	8 4 0	10 0 0	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Narayanganj	8 0 0	8 4 0	10 0 0	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Mymensingh	8 0 0	8 4 0	10 0 0	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Madaripur	8 0 0	8 4 0	10 0 0	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Pabna	8 0 0	8 4 0	10 0 0	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Barisal	8 0 0	8 4 0	10 0 0	8 12 0	4 0 0	3 16 7	2 0 0
Rangpur	8 0 0	(a)	7 0 0	8 4 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0

Marts.	KALAI DAL.						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	37	38	39	40	41	42	43
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	8 0 0	4 12 0	5 0 0	5 0 0
Chota Haat	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	8 0 0	4 12 0	5 0 0	5 0 0
Burdwan	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	8 0 0	4 12 0	5 0 0	5 0 0
Kalna	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	8 0 0	4 12 0	5 0 0	5 0 0
Baigunj	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	8 0 0	4 12 0	5 0 0	5 0 0
Midnapore	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	3 12 0	4 4 0	4 0 0
Chittagong	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	3 12 0	4 4 0	4 0 0
Chandpur	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	3 12 0	4 4 0	4 0 0
Dacca	10 12 0	7 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	3 12 0	4 4 0	4 0 0
Narayanganj	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	3 12 0	4 4 0	4 0 0
Mymensingh	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	3 12 0	4 4 0	4 0 0
Madaripur	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	3 12 0	4 4 0	4 0 0
Pabna	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	3 12 0	4 4 0	4 0 0
Barisal	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	3 12 0	4 4 0	4 0 0
Rangpur	8 0 0	8 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	3 12 0	4 4 0	4 0 0

(a) Not available.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of May 1920.

Marts.	GRAM.						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	4 8 0	5 4 0	5 0 0	5 3 0
Chitta Hat	5 12 0	5 12 0	5 10 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	4 8 0
Bardwan	4 12 0	4 12 0	5 10 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	4 8 0
Kalna	5 12 0	5 12 0	5 10 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	4 8 0
Haniganj	5 12 0	5 12 0	5 10 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	4 8 0
Midnapore	5 12 0	5 12 0	5 10 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	4 8 0
Chittagong	5 12 0	5 12 0	5 10 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	4 8 0
Chandpur	5 12 0	5 12 0	5 10 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	5 4 0	4 8 0
Dacca	7 3 0	7 4 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0
Narayanganj	7 3 0	7 4 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0
Mymensingh	7 3 0	7 4 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0
Madaripur	7 3 0	7 4 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0
Pabna	7 3 0	7 4 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0
Wazirganj	7 3 0	7 4 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0
Bangor	7 3 0	7 4 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0	7 3 0

Marts.	ANNAR DAL.						
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of 1919.	Corresponding return of 1918.	Corresponding return of 1917.	Corresponding return of 1916.	Corresponding return of 1915.
	51	52	53	54	55	56	57
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 10 0	9 0 0	9 4 0
Chitta Hat	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 10 0	9 10 0	9 0 0	9 10 0
Bardwan	9 0 0	9 0 0	(a) 9 0 0	9 10 0	9 10 0	9 0 0	9 10 0
Kalna	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 10 0	9 10 0	9 0 0	9 10 0
Haniganj	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 10 0	9 10 0	9 0 0	9 10 0
Midnapore	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 10 0	9 10 0	9 0 0	9 10 0
Chittagong	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 10 0	9 10 0	9 0 0	9 10 0
Chandpur	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 0 0	9 10 0	9 10 0	9 0 0	9 10 0
Dacca	11 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Narayanganj	11 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Mymensingh	11 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Madaripur	11 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Pabna	11 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Wazirganj	11 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0
Bangor	9 0 0	9 0 0	10 0 0	9 0 0	7 0 0	7 0 0	8 10 0

(a) Not available.

**Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the order.
mentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of May 1920.**

Marts.	LAKSHO.			MUSTARD.			GUR.			COTTON (UNWASHED).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	12 0 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	12 0 0	12 0 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0
Chitta Hill												
Durduwan	10 12 0	10 12 0	(a).....	8 0 0	10 0 0	12 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	7 4 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	(a).....
Kaina												
Baniganj												
Midnapore	10 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	12 12 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	40 0 0	40 0 0	40 0 0
Chittagong	14 0 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	9 4 0	10 0 0	11 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	9 0 0	17 0 0	12 0 0
Chandpur												
Dacca	12 0 0	12 0 0	11 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	11 0 0	14 0 0	14 0 0	10 0 0			
Narayanganj												
Mymensingh												
Madaripur												
Pabna	8 12 0	8 0 0	12 0 0	8 12 0	8 12 0	12 11 0	8 11 0	8 11 0	8 0 0			
Birgaon												
Rangpur				10 0 0	10 0 0	11 0 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	11 0 0			

Marts.	JUTE.			GHEE.			HIDES (COW).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	10 0 0	10 0 0	12 0 0	35 0 0	35 0 0	75 0 0	450 0 0	450 0 0	450 0 0
Chitta Hill									
Bacchan	(a).....	(a).....	(a).....	10 0 0	10 0 0	75 0 0	(a).....	(a).....	(a).....
Kalna									
Baniganj									
Midnapore	5 0 0	5 0 0	7 0 0	100 0 0	100 0 0	100 0 0	200 0 0	200 0 0	200 0 0
Chittagong				25 0 0	25 0 0	75 0 0	275 0 0	275 0 0	200 0 0
Chandpur	4 4 0	3 0 0	5 0 0						
Dacca	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	32 0 0	27 0 0	75 0 0			
Narayanganj	5 0 0	4 0 0	10 0 0						
Mymensingh	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0						
Madaripur	10 0 0	10 0 0	(b).....						
Pabna	10 0 0	10 0 0	100 0 0	100 0 0	75 0 0				
Birgaon	4 0 0	4 0 0	4 0 0						
Rangpur	4 0 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	75 0 0	75 0 0	75 0 0	For piece, 5 0 0	For piece, (a)	For piece, 4 0 0

(a) No sale.

(b) Not available.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the under-mentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of May 1920.

Marts.	RICE.			SALT.			KEROSENE OIL.		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	79	80	81	87	88	84	85	84	87
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	10 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 12 0	3 15 0(a)	3 15 0(m)	3 15 0(a)
Chitta Hill	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan	10 2 0 to 17 0 0	12 2 0 to 17 0 0	16 0 0	3 12 0	3 12 0	3 2 0	3 2 0(b)	3 2 0(b)	...
Kalna	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baughan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore	3 0 0 to 13 0 0	3 0 0 to 13 0 0	3 0 0 to 16 0 0	3 2 0	3 5 0	3 0 0	4 2 0(c)	4 2 0(d)	3 4 3(e)
Chittagong	15 0 0	18 0 0	24 0 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 4 0	3 0 0(m)	3 0 0(m)	4 0 0(m)
Chandpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca	...	...	...	3 12 0	4 0 0	3 12 0	4 1 0(c)	4 1 0(c)	...
Narayanganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madaripur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pabna	32 0 0 to 35 0 0	32 0 0 to 35 0 0	30 0 0 to 31 0 0	3 12 0	3 12 0	4 0 0	4 0 0(c)	4 0 0(c)	3 5 0(a)
Birgaon	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mangpur	20 0 0	18 0 0	22 0 0	3 2 0	3 2 0	4 0 0	4 4 0(c)	4 4 0(c)	3 4 0(d)

(a) Monkey brand. (b) Rising Sun. (c) Monna. (d) Victoria brand. (e) Elephant. (f) Gold mohar.

Marts.	MUSTARD OIL.			FIREWOOD.			COAL (BENGAL).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	80	84	86	91	92	93	94	94	94
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	25 0 0	25 0 0	32 0 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	...	...	...
Chitta Hill	...	...	...	...	...	...	0 12 0	0 10 0	0 0 0
Burdwan	26 4 0	25 4 0	25 0 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 12 0	0 10 0	0 7 0
Kalna (a)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0 12 0	0 0 0
Baughan	...	...	...	...	...	...	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 2 0
Midnapore	20 0 0 to 30 0 0	20 0 0 to 32 0 0	25 0 0	0 7 0	0 7 0	0 7 0	...	...	...
Chittagong	22 0 0	24 0 0	25 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chandpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca	29 0 0	29 0 0	37 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Narayanganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madaripur
Pabna	25 0 0	25 0 0	25 0 0
Birgaon
Mangpur	25 0 0	24 0 0	27 0 0

(a) Not reported.

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DAcca, the 22nd May 1920.

Prices-current (retail) of food-grains, salt, etc., in the districts of Bengal for the first-half of May 1920.

Division.	Districts and Markets.	QUANTITY PER RUPEE IN MEERS OF EIGHTY TOLAS														
		COMMON RICE.						KALAI DAL (Phaseolus radiatus).			ARHAR (DAL) OR TUR.			SALT.		
		Average.			Cheepam.			Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.									
Number.		S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.
PARTURBAN.	11-PARGANAH.															
	1 Chokla Hat ...	4 9	4 9	5 3	5 5	5 5	5 13	4 9	4 9	4 9	4 9	4 9	5 3	10 10	10 10	11 6
	2 Magra Hat ...	5 7	5 10	5 3	5 12	5 5	5 7	(a)	(a)	(a)	3 3	3 3	3 12	11 12	11 12	11 6
	3 Unchenta-Bettan ...	4 12	4 12	5 3	5 5	5 5	5 2	4 7	4 7	3 12	4 3	4 9	4 3	10 9	10 9	9 6
	4 Nadia.															
	4 Gouri ...	5 11	5 11	5 5	(a)	(a)	6 4	3 2	3 5	3 5	3 5	3 5	3 5	11 5	11 5	11 5
	5 Rainghat ...	5 5	5 4	5 4	5 5	5 5	5 10	4 9	4 9	4 9	4 9	4 9	4 9	10 5	10 5	10 5
	6 MURSHIDABAD.															
	6 Derhampur ...	5 3	5 10	5 10	5 10	5 12	5 12	5 9	5 9	3 12	4 9	4 9	4 4	13 0	13 0	11 0
	7 Kandi ...	5 0	5 1	5 3	5 7	5 3	5 12	5 9	5 9	4 0	5 9	5 0	4 8	10 8	10 8	11 0
	8 Jangpur ...	5 12	5 12	5 12	7 0	7 0	6 0	4 0	4 0	3 12	5 0	4 0	3 5	14 0	14 0	11 0
RURAL.	9 Jubbulpur.															
	9 Bader ...	4 3	5 0	5 3	5 10	5 12	4 6	3 4	3 9	3 9	3 4	3 9	3 3	10 9	10 9	11 4
	10 Baggon ...	5 2	5 3	5 10	5 11	5 11	7 0	3 2	3 2	3 11	3 2	3 2	4 0	12 2	12 2	11 2
	11 KUDWA.															
	11 Bader ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 5	5 5	6 4	4 5	4 5	4 0	5 0	5 0	4 0	13 5	10 5	11 5
	12 Bagerhat ...	5 3	5 0	5 2	7 0	7 0	7 2	5 5	5 5	5 0	3 10	3 10	4 14	9 9	9 9	10 0
	13 BURDWAN.															
	13 Bader ...	5 3	5 3	5 5	6 5	6 5	5 5	5 0	3 0	2 4	4 5	4 3	(a)	10 5	10 5	12 0
	14 Kalpa ...		5 4	5 10		5 3	5 14		4 4	3 15		3 4	3 10		10 5	11 0
	15 BIRBHUM.															
	15 Suri ...	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 12	5 12	5 9	4 5	4 5	4 0	5 4	5 0	3 4	1 0	12 0	6 4
RURAL.	16 Rampur Hat ...	5 2	5 2	5 5	5 5	5 0	5 12	5 0	5 0	3 8	4 0	4 0	3 2	11 0	11 0	11 0
	17 BANKURA.															
	17 Sader ...	5 0	4 0	5 14	5 4	5 4	5 0	4 0	4 0	2 12	3 2	3 0	4 0	11 0	11 0	11 0
	18 Wajnapur ...	5 14	5 15	5 0	5 2	5 4	5 4	4 5	4 4	4 0	4 2	4 0	3 5	11 0	11 0	11 5
	19 MIDNAPUR.															
	19 Bader ...	5 12	5 11	5 12	5 5	5 0	5 3	4 5	4 0	3 4	3 4	3 5	3 4	10 2	10 2	10 5
	20 Ouseal ...	5 0	5 0	5 5	5 5	5 3	7 0	3 0	3 0	4 0	3 0	3 4	3 5	10 5	9 0	12 0
	21 MOOCHUL.															
	21 Bader ...	4 12	5 0	5 4	5 3	5 5	5 2	4 5	4 4	3 4	4 0	3 12	3 4	11 0	11 0	11 0
	22 Arambash ...	5 5	5 5	5 3	5 12	5 12	5 4	3 8	2 2	3 5	2 4	2 4	3 2	10 10	10 10	10 10
RURAL.	23 HOWRAH.															
	23 Bader ...	5 0	5 0	5 3	5 3	5 3	5 0	5 5	5 5	3 5	3 12	4 0	3 5	12 5	12 5	12 0
	24 Dhabaria ...	4 14	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 4	5 0	5 0	5 0	4 5	4 4	3 12	4 0	12 0	12 5	11 5
	25 KAZIMIANI.															
	25 Rampur-Boula ...	5 12	5 10	5 10	5 14	5 12	5 0	5 5	5 0	4 5	4 5	4 0	4 0	11 5	10 5	9 10
	26 Nator ...	5 5	5 5	5 5	5	5 4	5 0	4 0	4 0	5 5	4 5	4 0	7 5	9 5	9 5	5 5
	27 Dimpur-Railway Bazar Hat.	4 5	5 4	5 12	5 2	5 5	5 5	3 13	3 12	4 12	2 5	2 2	4 12	10 5	10 0	10 5
	28 Jalpaiguri-Bader ...	5 12	5 12	5 5	5 4	5 4	7 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	3 4	4 5	10 5	10 0	5 5

* Karshab.

(a) Not available.

(a) Not reported.

Price-current (retail) of food-grains, salt, etc., in the districts of Bengal for the first-half of May 1920—concd.

Division.	Number.	Districts and Marts.	QUANTITY PER RUPEE IN SERIES OF EIGHTY TOLAS.														
			COMMON RICE.						KADAI DAL (Phaseolus radiatus).			ARHAR (DAL) OR TUR. CADIAN PEA (Cajanus indicus).			SALT.		
			Average.			cheapest.			Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
			Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.									
RAJSHAHI—concd.	39	DARJILING.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.
		Sadar	3 3	3 3	4 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	3 12	3 12	3 0	2 8	2 8	2 12	5 0	5 0	5 0
	40	Siliguri	5 0	5 0	4 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 0	3 0	3 0
	41	RANGPUR.															
		Sadar	5 0	5 11	5 5	5 5	5 12	5 0	4 5	4 5	4 5	4 5	4 5	3 5	3 0	3 0	3 0
		Bilphamari	5 5	5 3	5 0	(a)	5 11	...	4 5	3 10	3 0	4 5	3 10	3 5	10 5	10 5	5 5
	42	Bogra-Sadar	5 4	5 12	5 12	5 7	5 0	...	3 12	3 3	...	3 3	3 3	...	3 12	3 12	...
	43	PENNA.															
		Sadar	5 4	5 3	5 12	5 5	5 12	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	3 3	3 0	3 3	10 12	10 12	5 0*
	44	Hajীগঞ্জ	4 12	5 0	5 0	5 5	5 5	5 5	5 4	5 4	5 0	3 3	3 0	3 0	5 0	5 0	3 5
	45	MALDA.															
		Sadar	5 0	5 5	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 10	7 0	7 0	4 2	4 5	4 5	3 5	11 0	11 0	11 5*
DACC.	46	Balta-Howrah	5 4	5 0	5 12	5 3	7 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	4 5	4 5	4 5	11 0	12 0	11 4*
	47	DACCA.															
		Sadar	5 0	5 4	5 3	5 4	5 3	4 0	3 10	3 5	4 5	3 5	4 0	3 12	10 5	10 5	11 0
	48	Munshirhat	4 12	5 0	5 0	4 12	5 4	5 5	(a)	(a)	...	(a)	(a)	4 5	10 0	10 0	5 5
	49	MTN ROADS.															
		Narabadi	4 12	5 0	5 12	5 5	5 5	5 0	4 5	4 0	4 0	3 14	4 0	4 0	3 14	3 14	5 5
	50	Netrokona	4 11	5 5	5 3	5 5	5 5	3 12	4 5	4 0	2 0	3 5	3 3	3 14	10 0	10 0	12 0
	51	FAKIRPOUR.															
		Sadar	5 3	5 4	5 5	(b) 5 12	(b) 5 12	5 5	4 0	4 0	4 0	3 0	3 0	4 5	5 5	10 0	5 0
CHITTAGONG.	52	Rajbari	5 5	5 10	5 5	5 5	(b) 5 12	5 5	5 5	5 5	5 5	3 3	3 5	4 0	10 5	10 5	5 5
	53	BAKARGANG.															
		Bartali	4 14	5 3	5 5	5 0	5 4	3 0	5 5	3 4	5 11	3 5	3 4	3 14	11 7	10 0	10 10*
	54	Pirojpur	5 0	5 4	5 5	5 4	5 3	...	4 0	4 0	...	(a)	(a)	4 5	5 0	5 0	5 5*
	55	TIPPERA.															
		Comilla	4 5	4 12	5 5	4 10	5 2	...	3 5	3 5	...	3 0	2 10	...	10 0	10 0	...
	56	Chandpur	4 14	4 14	5 2	5 4	5 3	5 12	3 14	3 12	5 2	3 5	3 1	4 4	5 4	5 4	10 5
	57	MOYNAMATI.															
		Kaltan Bhat	4 5	4 12	5 5	4 12	5 2	3 12	4 5	5 0	4 5	4 5	3 5	4 0	5 4	5 0	5 5
CHITTAGONG.	58	Feni Bhat	4 5	4 15	5 3	4 14	5 2	5 3	2 4	3 4	5 5	(a)	(A)	...	10 11	10 11	5 2
	59	CHITTAGONG.															
		Sadar	5 0	5 5	5 0	(b) 5 5	(b) 5 5	5 5	5 0	5 0	4 5	3 5	3 5	3 12	12 5	11 0	12 0
CHITTAGONG.	60	Cox's Bazar	5 0	5 4	5 5	(a)	(a)	...	5 5	5 0	4 5	3 0	3 0	3 4	3 0	3 5	5 0
	61	Chittagong Hill Tracts—Bhagmati.	5 0	5 5	5 0	5 5	5 5	5 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	3 0	3 0	3 3	5 0	5 0	5 0

* Karhahi.

(b) Burma rice.

(a) Not available.

(A) Not reported.

J. C. ROY,
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Dacca, the 22nd May 1920.

List of prices of articles of food at Calcutta during the week ending Saturday, the 22nd May 1920.

Names of articles.	WHOLESALE PRICE PER MAUND.				RETAIL PRICE PER SEER.				
	From—		To—		From—		To—		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Rice—									
Balan. coarse	7	8	0	8	2	0	0	3	3
" medium	8	4	0	8	12	0	0	3	9
Patnai, coarse	7	12	0	8	2	0	0	3	3
" medium	8	4	0	8	8	0	0	3	9
Nagra, coarse	7	8	0	7	14	0	0	3	3
" medium	8	0	0	8	6	0	0	3	9
Dudhkalma	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	3	6
Rangoon Boiled	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	3	4
Kajh	7	4	0	7	6	0	0	3	0
Wheat, Dudhia	6	12	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
" Gangajali	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" Jamali	6	4	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gram, Patnai (whole)	6	5	0	6	14	0	0	2	9
" dal	8	8	0	9	0	0	0	3	5
Mung " (Hari)	7	0	0	7	8	0	0	6	0
" " (Krishna)	7	8	0	8	8	0	0	5	0
Arhar " "	11	0	0	12	0	0	0	3	9
Masur " (split)	6	8	0	6	12	0	0	2	9
" " (Khanri)	9	8	0	10	0	0	0	4	0
Kalai	8	0	0	8	8	0	0	3	0
Salt	2	15	6	3	6	0	0	1	6
Sugar (Brown Java)	38	0	0	39	0	0	0	14	0
Gur, Bheli	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" Bhursut	10	0	0	10	4	0	0	6	0
" Date	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Milk	8	0	0	11	0	0	0	3	0
Mustard oil	24	0	0	27	0	0	0	10	0
Flour (country)	8	0	0	8	8	0	0	3	5
Atta, No. 3	5	14	0	...	...	...	0	3	0
" " 2½	6	8	0	...	...	...	0	3	0
" " B	9	12	0	...	...	...	0	4	0
Suji	9	8	0	10	0	0	0	4	0
Ghee (Bhadwa, Mutki, etc.)	Not in stock				2	10	0	...	...
" (Patiram, Khurja, Ruto, Etwa, better kind, etc.)	98	0	0	100	0	0	2	8	0
" (Lalli, Etwa, Sagar, etc.)	98	0	0	95	0	0	2	6	0
Malze	3	8	0	4	4	0	...	...	...
Potatoes	4	8	0	5	4	0	0	2	0
Patal	7	0	0	8	8	0	0	3	0
Brinjal	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	3
Onion	2	12	0	4	0	0	0	1	6
Fish	30	0	0	35	0	0	0	14	0
Mutton (2nd class)	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	10	0
Beef (2nd and 3rd classes)	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	3	0

N.B.—This is an abstract of prices at the following markets:—

Wholesale.—Chetty Hat, Ramkrishnapur Hat, Sealdah Fish and Milk Markets, Posta Bazar.

Retail.—Sir Stuart Hogg Market, Orphanage Market, Sovo Bazar, Naton Bazar, Raja Babu's Bazar, Bow Bazar, Jogt Babu's Bazar, Talolla Bazar.

S. N. GHOSH,

for Commissioner, Presidency Divn.

CALCUTTA, the 22nd May 1920.

DAILY RAINFALL RECORDED IN

Division.	District.	Station.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
PURNIMA.	24-Parganas.	Baugor Island...	...	...	0.20	0.09	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Diamond Harbour.	...	...	...	0.24	...	...	...	...	0.07	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dumra-Budha...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Canning Town...	...	...	...	0.03	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Alipore...	...	...	0.21	0.80	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Barranpore...	...	...	...	1.11	0.10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dum-Dum...	...	...	...	0.80	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Bachhat...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Medinipur.	Ranaghat...	...	...	0.52	0.85	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Krishnagar...	...	...	0.16	0.09	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Chandona...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Mohappur...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Murshidabad.	Kandi...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.07	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Bachhat...	...	...	...	0.57	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.07	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Lahab...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.06	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Ashtagram...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.05	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Jessore.	Haripur...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Haripur...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Haripur...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Haripur...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Khulna.	Baran...	...	...	0.60	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	5.28	0.11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	0.50	0.30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	0.48	0.03	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
BURDWAN.	Burdwan.	Baran...	...	...	0.51	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Burdwan.	Baran...	...	...	0.01	0.30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Burdwan.	Baran...	...	...	0.03	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Burdwan.	Baran...	...	...	0.15	0.48	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Burdwan.	Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Burdwan.	Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Baran...
		Baran...

* Rainfall return not received.

BENGAL FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1920.

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DAILY RAINFALL RECORDED IN.

DISTRICT.	Station.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
MIDNAPPORE.	Contai	...	...	1.00	0.23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Tamshuk	...	...	...	1.28	...	...	...	...	0.06	0.03	0.04	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Midnapore	...	...	...	0.32	...	...	...	...	0.30	0.01	0.02	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.13	...
	Chital	...	...	...	0.28	...	...	...	...	...	0.19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Kutubshahi	...	...	...	0.33	...	...	...	...	...	0.07	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Amalgara	...	...	...	0.17	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Danesh	...	...	...	0.19	...	...	...	...	0.17	0.07	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Chaudrakona	...	...	0.50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Pachet	...	...	...	0.34	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Udagwampur	...	...	...	0.23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Kulikri	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Kaystam	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bhila (Delpo- harf)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.07	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Goakore	...	...	0.39	0.30	...	...	...	...	0.23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Saiboni	...	...	0.25	0.70	...	...	...	...	...	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Suryanagarh	...	...	...	1.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Katmagur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Mahanagar	...	...	0.30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Henrie	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Sanku (Kharji)	...	...	0.08	0.30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Nandigram	...	...	...	0.19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Moya	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.10	0.10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Hingia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Narajole	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hooghly.	Saranpore	...	...	0.10	0.53	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Hooghly	...	...	0.17	0.28	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Howrah.	Arambagh	...	...	...	0.43	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Howrah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Howrah.	Mohamud	...	...	...	0.06	...	...	...	...	0.04	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Victoria	...	...	...	0.40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bonga.	Amra	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bonga	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bonga.	Natore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Nagason	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bonga.	Bilmaria	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Madda	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bonga.	Matuldepur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Talpur	...	...	...	0.36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur.	Chandpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Jent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur.	Nitapur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Nayabganj	...	...	0.30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur.	Gadgaonpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.04	0.09	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Chandpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur.	Bakia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Dinajpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur.	Balpurhat	...	...	...	0.67	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Thamgaon	...	...	...	1.35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur.	Thamgaon	...	...	...	0.22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Satgaon	...	...	0.23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur.	Ramganj	...	...	...	0.30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Atari	...	...	0.23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur.	Bilga	...	...	...	0.23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Parbatpur	...	...	...	0.43	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri.	Jalpaiguri	...	...	...	0.33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Alipur Duar	...	...	...	0.33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri.	Talukata	...	...	...	0.33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Dubai	...	...	...	0.33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri.	Chandpur	...	...	...	0.31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	(Nagarkhat)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri.	Kumarkhali	...	...	...	0.10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Kumarkhali	...	...	...	0.10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri.	Kumarkhali	...	...	...	0.33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Kumarkhali	...	...	...	0.33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling.	Siliguri	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Darjeeling	...	...	...	0.18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling.	Kalimpong	...	...	...	0.18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Meenbong	...	...	...	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling.	Kurseong	...	...	...	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Patong	...	...	...	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Banspur.	Banspur	...	...	...	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	(Gaidakha)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Banspur.	Banspur	...	...	...	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Shyuli	...	...	...	1.43	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Banspur.	Kurseong	...	...	...	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	(Gaidakha)	...	...	...	0.40	...	...	...	...	1.36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Banspur.	Banspur	...	...	...	0.40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	(Nagarkhat)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Banspur.	Olkur	...	...	...	1.33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Banspur	...	...	...	0.70	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Banspur.	Banspur	...	...	...	0.33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Banspur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Banspur.	Sherpur	0.33
	Nowkhila	0.20
Banspur.	Banspur	0.33
	Panchbibi	0.33
Banspur.	Kurseong										

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(c) Not reported.

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The 19th May 1920.

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